

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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REMOVABLE OF OBJECTIONABLE PARTS FROM TEXT BOOKS .

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the National Council of Educational Research and Training has received objections regarding some history text books;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) The time by which the Government is likely to remove these from the syllabi?

Answer

THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) NCERT has received a few objections from individuals, groups and organizations regarding material in history textbooks pertaining to matters like tradition/history of Jain Tirthankars, the Sikh Gurus, Maharaja Ranjit Singh, the Jats, beef eating and the nature of the revolt of 1857.

(c) All these objections/suggestions have been considered by NCERT and have been taken into account, and certain passages have been removed or modified. Following the implementation of the National Curriculum Framework-2005, NCERT is preparing new books in all subjects and classes including History textbooks for replacing the old textbooks. New textbooks have been introduced for Classes I, III, VI, IX, and XI during the academic session 2006-2007. The time frame for introduction of new textbooks for the remaining classes is as follows:

- (i) Classes II, IV, VII & X - 2007-2008
- (ii) Classes V and VIII - 2008-09.