

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

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

- (a) whether the Centrally sponsored scheme, `Vocationalisation of Secondary Education` is under revision;
- (b) if so, the details alongwith the present status thereof;
- (c) the funds earmarked and utilised so far during the Eleventh Plan Period in this regard; and
- (d) the steps taken to strengthen the scheme?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. D. PURANDESWARI)

- (a) & (b) The revised scheme of Vocationalisation of Secondary Education has been approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) on 15.09.2011
- (c) The allocation for the scheme for the Eleventh Plan is Rs.2000.00 crores. Pending revision of the scheme, no funds had been released so far in the Eleventh Plan. Rs. 4.97 crores has now been released, after revision of the scheme, against an allocation of Rs 25 crores for 2011-12.
- (d) The main strength of the revised scheme is the partnership with industry in imparting vocational education in higher secondary schools. In addition to provisions for establishing new vocational schools and strengthening existing vocational schools in government sector, private schools will be assisted under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode for the children of socio economically weaker sections. A periodic revision of the courses would be undertaken. Capacity building of vocational teachers is provided for. A Vocational Education Cell has been established under the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).