

Title: Need to include study material relating to North-Eastern States in educational text books in the country.

SHRI SACHIN PILOT (DAUSA): This august house is aware, that the North Eastern region is an important, integral part of our country. However, I feel we must do more to educate the average Indian about the culture, history, customs, traditions of the people living in the North Eastern states. There is lack of adequate information about this far flung corner of India.

One thing we need to do is to ensure that in our schools and colleges the textbooks and the syllabi have enough material relating to the North East. It is my impression that in schools, not enough matter relating to the North East is studied or taught. The youth must have and ought to have an opportunity to learn and to understand the geography, the tribal culture, the various languages, and the lifestyles of the people in these states.

It is of utmost importance what we sensitize and educated ourselves about the needs and aspirations of the people from all parts of the country, so that they can constructively engage themselves in nation building. This will go a long way in removing the feeling of alienation that may exit in some parts of the North East.

Therefore, I would through you sir, urge the Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development to take adequate steps to inculcate in our educational institutions, more courses, more information, study material and matters related to the North Eastern region and its people.