GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFHUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT RAJYA SABHA

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ANSWERED ON

SUICIDE BY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATIONHUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Central Government has taken note of suicides being committed by school children failing in upper primary classes, particularly in Delhi;
- (b) if so, whether Government proposes to reform the present examination system so as to do away with annual examinations, at least till the Tenth Standard; and
- (c) if so, by when it is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

- (a): A few cases of suicides committed by students have been reported in Delhi.
- (b) & (c): The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has directed its affiliated schools to introduce Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE) upto Class VIII with no pass-fail criteria upto Class V. There are no external examinations upto Class IX in the schools affiliated with C.B.S.E.