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TEACHER EDUCATION INSTITUTES

The Central Government is working on a pilot programme to involve retired government teachers and others to conduct co-scholastic activities in schools.

The Central Government is in the process of developing guidelines in collaboration with State Governments. In a meeting of State Education Ministers on ‘Teacher Education’ held in New Delhi on 8th February 2016, representatives of 19 States, namely, Assam, Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Gujarat, Karnataka, Odisha, Punjab, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Telangana, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Himachal Pradesh, Tripura, Goa, Uttar Pradesh and Delhi have expressed their willingness to participate in the first phase.

In the same meeting of Education Ministers on Teacher Education, several steps for improvement of the quality of education were discussed. These include: internship for Teacher Education Programmes in Government Schools; conduct of Regional workshop for Education Administrators by UGC with modules developed by IIMs; and to constitute a committee to develop an accreditation framework for Teacher Education Institutions.

This information was given by the Union Human Resource Development Minister, Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani today in a written reply to a Lok Sabha question.

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