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**Rashtriya Avishkar Abhiyan is running successfully to motivate children to learn Science,  
Maths and Technology through observation and experimentation: HRD Minister**

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The Rashtriya Avishkar Abhiyan (RAA) was launched on 9th July, 2015 by Late Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, Former President of India. The RAA is a convergent framework across School Education and Higher Education to motivate children of the age group from 6-18 years in learning Science, Mathematics and Technology through observation, experimentation, inference drawing, model building, etc. both through inside and outside classroom activities and processes. It seeks to create curiosity, excitement and spirit of innovation and exploration amongst school children by encouraging higher education institutions to become Mentoring Institutions and assist secondary and elementary schools in the study of Science and Mathematics.

Major interventions under RAA provided under **Integrated scheme for School Education – Samagra Shiksha**, include conduct of Science Exhibition, Book Fair, Quiz Competition, exposure/study visits for students to Higher Education institutions, participation of students in Inter-school/State/National level Science & Maths Competitions/Olympiads, strengthening of School Science and Mathematics laboratories, use of teaching-learning equipment and material including Digital models and use of technology in Science and Mathematics teaching. This is an on-going programme and is for the benefit of all the school students.

This information was given by the Union Minister for Human Resource, Dr Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’ in a written reply in the Lok Sabha today.

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