GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 654 ANSWERED ON 08/02/2023

Teaching of animation gaming and content in schools

654 # SMT. GEETA ALIAS CHANDRAPRABHA:

Will the Minister of **EDUCATION** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any Committee of Government has recommended teaching of animation gaming and content in school and higher education;
- (b) whether the matter has been contemplated upon by the Committee before making the recommendation;
- (c) if so, the basis of the recommendation; and
- (d) the response of Government on these recommendations, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) to (d): An Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming and Comics (AVGC) Promotion Task Force has been constituted on 08.04.2022 to promote AVGC sector in the country. The composition of AVGC Promotion Task Force includes Secretaries from various Ministries including Information & Broadcasting (as the Chairperson), Ministries of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Education, Electronics and Information Technology, Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade; also Administrative Secretaries in charge of AVGC from State Governments of Karnataka, Maharashtra and Telangana; Chairperson of All India Council of Technical Education, Director, National Council of Education Research and Training and other experts in the domain of AVGC. The terms of reference of the AVGC promotion task force inter-alia includes recommendations for a national curriculum framework for Graduation, Post- Graduation and Doctoral courses in AVGC related sectors, facilitate skilling programmes and initiatives in collaboration with academic institutions, vocational training centres & Industry and recommend measures for uniformity and alignment to international best practices in skilling, education and content delivery. The report of the committee be accessed here: https://mib.gov.in/sites/default/files/AVGCcan XR%20Promotion%20Taskforce%20Report%20-%202022.pdf

The National Education Policy (NEP), 2020, has recommended preparation of a new National Curriculum Framework (NCF). Paras 4.23, 4.24 and 4.25 have mentioned concerted curricular and pedagogical initiatives, including the introduction of contemporary subjects such as Artificial Intelligence etc. in the NCF.