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NIPUN Bharat Scheme

2256 # **Shri Narhari Amin:**

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

- (a) objectives of the National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy (NIPUN) Bharat scheme launched by the Government;
- (b) the target set by the Government under this scheme;
- (c) the States in which this scheme has been started in the country; and
- (d) the deadline fixed by the Government to achieve the targets set under this scheme; the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (d) :The National Education Policy 2020 has stipulated that “attaining foundational literacy and numeracy for all children will thus become an urgent national mission, with immediate measures to be taken on many fronts and with clear goals that will be attained in the short term. The highest priority of the education system will be to achieve universal foundational literacy and numeracy in primary school by 2025. Towards this end, the Government has launched a National Mission called “National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy (NIPUN Bharat)” on 5th July 2021. The mission aims to ensure that every child in the country necessarily attains foundational literacy and numeracy by the end of Grade 2, by 2026-27.

The mission covers the first 5 years of school continuum of the 5+3+3+4 pedagogical structure including 3 preschool years. This mission has been set up under the aegis of the centrally sponsored scheme of Samagra Shiksha, and focuses on following areas: providing access and retaining children in foundational years of schooling; teacher capacity building; development of high quality and diversified Student and Teacher Resources/Learning Materials; and tracking the progress of each child in achieving learning outcomes.

All States/Union Territories are implementing NIPUN-Bharat/FLN Mission.
