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Education and Skill Development

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

- (a) whether Government has drawn any plan to skill students as per the requirement of industry;
- (b) if so, whether Government has collaborated with different private organisations in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the details in this regard particularly with reference to the procedure adopted in selecting these private organisations for collaboration with the Ministry?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Government of India has announced the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 to outline the vision of India's new education system. NEP 2020 aims to provide holistic and multidisciplinary education with multiple entry and exit facility. It also aims to integrate skill courses with regular courses through collaboration between industry-academia.

To achieve these objectives, Government has taken several initiatives which includes:

- The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has introduced 'Skill Hub Initiative' under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) 3.0 scheme which focuses on the introduction of skill training programmes in the education ecosystems with an aim to augment employability of students.
- Ministry of Education has also collaborated with Industry to drive skilling and future readiness for the students and educator in the line of new technologies such as cloud, data sciences, data analytics, securities, AI and other areas and other courses linked to regular programme.
- Industry partners have also been identified for curriculum development especially through online mode to ensure increase youth productivity and their readiness as per industry requirement.
- Ministry of Education has also started National Internship Portal with an aim to provide practical hands-on experience to students. It provided opportunity to students to enhance their skill in different domains such as embedded engineering, AI, robotics, web development, urban governance etc. More than 10,500 colleges, 75,000 companies and 1.97 Crore students are registered on the portal and 29.5 lakh internships have been offered.
