GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 29 ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024

Promoting Digital Learning

29. SHRI RAMBHAI HARJIBHAI MOKARIYA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is taking measures to provide opportunities to higher education students for digital learning through certificate courses; and
- (b) the status of adoption of the SWAYAM platform by various universities in order to leverage digital learning?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) & (b): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) & (B) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 29 FOR REPLY ON 27.11.2024 REGARDING "PROMOTING DIGITAL LEARNING" ASKED BY SHRI RAMBHAI HARJIBHAI MOKARIYA, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

(a) & (b): Government of India has framed and approved the "National Education Policy 2020" with an aim to ensure holistic development of students and recognizes the importance of leveraging the advantages of technology.

To ensure access of high-quality educational content to every student, Ministry of Education in collaboration with IIT Madras has launched Study Webs of Active-Learning for Young Aspiring Minds (SWAYAM) platform. The platform hosts content curated by premier Institutions and is available free of cost with the approach of "Anyone, Anywhere, Anytime Learning".

As on 22nd November 2024, more than 3,500 unique courses have been developed and several courses are offered in multiple Indian languages. SWAYAM MOOCs have witnessed cumulative enrolments of 4.63 crores since its launch and a total of 31.1 lakh certifications have been awarded. To promote its adoption, Ministry of Education has allowed the Universities that accept SWAYAM credit, to take the SWAYAM proctored examination in their own campuses for their students. As on 22nd November 2024, a total of 331 Universities have adopted SWAYAM courses for credit.

With an aim to enhance employability of students/learners, Ministry of Education and IIT Madras in collaboration with industry partners, has also launched SWAYAM Plus on 27th February 2024. It focuses on the domains that are rapidly changing through emerging technology and offers more than 300 courses in Healthcare, Hospitality & Tourism, Information Technology & Services, Banking, Finance Services & Insurance etc.
