

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4046  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2017**

**Digitisation in Education Sector**

**4046. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:**

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps for digitisation in the education sector; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)**

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Human Resource Development has taken several steps for providing good quality e-content to the students under the National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NMEICT). The major initiatives under this are:
- a) The SWAYAM portal that offers courses by the best teachers online - to anyone, anytime, anywhere mode.
  - b) The SWAYAM Prabha under which (32) DTH channels are started providing best educational content on 24X7 basis.
  - c) Connecting the higher educational institutions through high-speed internet connection under the National Knowledge Network.
  - d) The National Digital Library which provides access to more than 65 lakh digital resources to students in higher educational institutions.
  - e) Access to more than 18,000 digital academic journals under the e-Shodh Sindhu project.

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