GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2559 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12thMARCH 2018

E-Learning

†2559 SHRI CHANDU LAL SAHU: SHRI RAJESH KUMAR DIWAKER: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH: SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:

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

- (a) whether open schools and universities are considering to promote e-learning system along with correspondence courses as it is very difficult to provide access to education for all in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of total fund spent on e-learning during the last three years State/ UTwise including Jharkhand and Maharashtra; and
- (d) whether the Government is considering to start e-learning in all the universities of the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

(a) & (b): The Government has launched the SWAYAM (<u>https://swayam.gov.in/</u>) portal for providing online learning courses offered by the best teachers to anyone desirous of learning, at anyone, anytime and anywhere from School to Universities level. All Secondary Courses and Diploma in Elementary Education (D.EI.Ed) programme are also delivered by National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) through SWAYAM Portal. Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has launched an ambitious project, namely, National Mission on Education through Information and Communication and Technology (NMEICT) to leverage the potential of ICT, in teaching and learning process for the benefit of all the learners in Higher Education Institutions in any time

anywhere mode. NIOS has also taken various steps to promote E-Learning at the school level, such as, Virtual Open Schooling (VOS), Eklavaya–Massive Open Online Courses, MuktaVidyaVani etc.

(c) The details of total fund spent on e-learning by NIOS during the last three years is as under:

Financial Year	Amount (In Rs.)
2015-16	77,73,128.00
2016-17	69,83,560.00
2017-18 (upto 09.03.2018)	44,57,877.00

No separate fund has been released to State/UT towards e-learning.

(d): Presently, there is no proposal to start e-learning in all the Universities.
