

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1283
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 25.07.2018

POWER OF SHE INITIATIVE

1283. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) The details of the "Power of She" initiative undertaken by the National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT);
- (b) whether the Ministry has set targets under the above mentioned initiative; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA)

(a): National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT), an autonomous Scientific Society of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), undertook an initiative "Saksham – Power of She" which was aimed at encouraging entrepreneurship among women under 'Digital India'. Under this initiative, an event was organised on July 19, 2017, in which over 200 female students from NIELIT Centres at Chandigarh, Guwahati, Patna, Ajmer and Srinagar participated through the Smart Virtual Classrooms over Video Conference. These students were sensitized and encouraged to take up entrepreneurship development as a viable alternative to seeking job as a career by a panel of experts comprising mainly of women entrepreneurs.

(b) and (c) : The above initiative was an independent activity taken up by NIELIT and no specific targets for the same were set by MeitY.
