

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3028
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Digital Board

3028. Shri G Hari:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the digital board across 15 lakh class rooms in the country in the next four years is likely to change the face of education in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that the Government has taken the benefit of digital revolution to educate 15 lakh teachers and making education available online and offline; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)

(a) & (b) An Expert Committee has been constituted to formulate the overall framework under "Operation Digital Board" initiative. The Committee is expected to prepare the concept note and an approach paper, which would define the specifications, modalities, financing models of the project.

(c) & (d) Yes, the government has taken various initiatives of Technology Enabled Learning aimed at the students and general learners. Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds (SWAYAM) is India's own Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) platform is offering online courses, for students and non-students learners. This technology platform is also being used to train the teachers, enhancing their capacity building.

The Diploma in Elementary Education program for about 15 lakh untrained teachers has been administered through the indigenous online Education Platform SWAYAM.

Annual Refresher Program in Teaching (ARPIT) is a new initiative from the Ministry of Human Resource Development, aiming to provide refresher course training to the higher education faculty, through online courses, hosted on Swayam platform. These online courses are developed by 75 reputed, identified National Resource Centres (NRCs)
