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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2290 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.07.2019

New Education Policy

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

- (a) whether any provision has been made to make teachers informed about futuristic modern technologies under the New Education Policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to make categorization of teachers considering the increasing importance of teachers in modern education; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) to (d): The Committee for the Draft National Education Policy under the Chairmanship of Dr. K. Kasturirangan has submitted its report to the Ministry on 31st May 2019. Para 19.3.1 titled 'Teacher preparation in the use of educational technology' of the Draft NEP 2019 proposes that 'To skill teachers at all levels in the use of educational technology, all teacher preparation programmes will include hands-on training in leveraging technology-based resources, including addressing common problems related to connectivity, maintenance of equipment and its safe operation, pedagogical strategies for utilising e-content (including conducting classes effectively in a flipped mode and leveraging MOOCs), and using appropriate tools to enhance teaching learning processes'. Para 19.3.2 titled 'Use of educational technology for continuous teacher professional development' also proposes that an online training platform - linked to appropriate mechanisms to certify trainees in specific areas - will be developed to empower in-service teachers at all levels of education to stay at the cutting edge of pedagogical techniques.

The Draft NEP 2019 states that the high respect for teachers and the high status of the teaching profession must be revived and restored for the very best to be inspired to enter the profession.

The Draft NEP 2019 has been uploaded on MHRD's website and also at innovate.mygov.in platform to elicit suggestions/comments from all stakeholders including the public, Government of India Ministries and State Governments. The Government will finalize the National Education Policy only after considering the inputs/suggestions and comments of all stakeholders.
