GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 830 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12/12/2022

Online Contents in Regional Languages

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government subscribes to the view that a larger volume of quality online content in regional non-English languages would help in increasing the reach and learning outcomes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the initiatives proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (c) NEP 2020 in para 23.6 (Chapter 23) has mentioned the promotion of regional languages and development of eContent by all States in all regional languages. Also, para 23.6 of NEP 2020 mentions the availability of educational software in all major Indian languages to make it accessible to a wide range of users including students in remote areas and Divyang students.

The eContents/programme uploaded under PM eVidya are based on NCERT curriculum. Besides this, many states have also offered and uploaded their eContents for PM eVIDYA, in line with the curriculum of their education boards/SCERTs.

DIKSHA (https://diksha.gov.in/) is the One Nation, One Digital Platform, which provides support for delivery of quality education to students of classes 1-12 through QR coded textbooks and various specialized e-Contents in 33 Indian languages.18 online courses under NISHTHA are delivered through DIKSHA platform in 11 languages for teachers.

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