GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Standard of Education Technology Products for Classroom

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has developed any guidelines for ensuring minimum standards of quality of Education Technology (EdTech) products before they are used in any classroom;
- (b) the details of process adopted for ensuring of minimum standard of quality of EdTech products; and
- (c) whether such process exists, if so, details of the committee/agency involved and also its budget grant and human resources in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) to (c)The Department of School Education and Literacy (D/o SE&L), MoE had issued an advisory to citizens regarding use of caution while evaluating Ed-tech products on 23.12.2021. The advisory has enlisted do's and don'ts and notable e-commerce guidelines with ASCI codes and standards which the stakeholders of the education ecosystem may follow to be aware of against the practices followed.

https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1784582

National Council of Educational Research and Training, has also released PRAGYATA Guidelines on Digital/ Online Education in July 2020. The Guidelines provide a roadmap or pointers for carrying forward enhanced quality online education. The guidelines can be accessed at: <u>https://www.education.gov.in/sites/upload_files/mhrd/files/pragyata-guidelines_0.pdf</u>
