GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No- 554

ANSWERED ON- 06/02/2023

RAMAYANA AND MAHABHARATA ON INTERNET PROJECTS OF NSU

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SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of the Ramayana and Mahabharata on Internet projects of the National Sanskrit University;
- (b) the funds sanctioned and utilised for the completion of the projects;
- (c) whether the texts of the two epics were available on the websites of the Rashtriya Sanskrit University and are now unavailable on the National Sanskrit University's website and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the National Sanskrit University intends to bring back the texts of the two epics on the website; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The Ramayana and Mahabharata on Internet projects of the National Sanskrit University were completed in 2008.
- (b): The expenditure incurred on Valmiki Ramayana and Mahabharata Projects is Rs.28.13 lakh and Rs.8.88 lakh respectively.
- (c) to (e): The texts of the two epics are available at https://nsktu.ac.in/index.php/ ramayana-on-internet/ and https://nsktu.ac.in/index.php/mahabharata-on-internet/ in the website of National Sanskrit University.
