GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2563 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2023

NATIONAL AND GLOBAL MARKET

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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that animation, visual effects, Gaming and Comic (AVGC) sector has huge potential in terms of employment in national and global market;
- (b) if so, the details of current status of AVGC market in the country;
- (c) whether the Government has proposed to set-up a task force to recommend ways to build domestic capacity of this sector;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; AND MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) to (e) The formation of an AVGC Promotion Task Force was announced in the Budget Speech 2022. Subsequently, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (Mol&B) constituted a Task Force on 08.04.2022, headed by the Secretary, Mol&B, and included

representatives from Central Government Ministries/Departments, State Governments, AVGC Industry & its associations, and academia. The AVGC Promotion Task Force, after having had extensive consultations with industry representatives and cross-cutting Government sectors, submitted its report to the Government in December, 2022, which included a draft National Policy & Model State Policy for promotion of the AVGC Sector in India. Subsequently, a National Workshop for consultation & implementation of the Task Force recommendations, was organised on 18.04.2023 at New Delhi.

As per the Task Force report, the Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming, Comics and Extended Reality (AVGC-XR) sectors have evolved as an important growth engine of the Indian economy & the usage of AVGC-XR in the field of Media and Entertainment and others, is poised to grow at unprecedented rates. It is envisioned that the AVGC-XR sector will generate employment for over 20 lakh youth by 2030.
