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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3502
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2020

Unnat Bharat Abhiyan 2.0

†3502. SHRI SHANTANU THAKUR:
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:
SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:

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

a) whether Unnat Bharat Abhiyan 2.0 is different from the first edition of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan and it is upgraded than it;
b) the main objectives thereof;
c) whether the said scheme has been extended to educational institutes;
d) if so, the State-wise details thereof including West Bengal, Gujarat and Bihar; and
e) the manner in which it has been beneficial for rural India?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL ‘NISHANK’)

a) Unnat Bharat Abhiyan 2.0 is the upgraded version of UBA 1.0.

b) The main objectives of UBA are as under:
   i) To engage the faculty and students of Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) in identifying development issues in rural areas and finding sustainable solutions for the same.
   ii) Identify & select existing innovative technologies, enable customisation of technologies, or devise implementation method for innovative solutions, as required by the people.
   iii) To allow HEIs to contribute to devising systems for smooth implementation of various Government programmes.

c) & d) The scheme is extended to all educational institutes; however under UBA 2.0 Participating institutes are selected based on the fulfillment of certain criteria. The details of
Participating Institutions and adopted villages in state of West Bengal, Gujarat and Bihar are as under:-

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<th>State</th>
<th>Number of Participating Institutes</th>
<th>Number of Adopted Villages</th>
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<td>West Bengal</td>
<td>92</td>
<td>483</td>
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<td>Gujarat</td>
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<td>408</td>
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<td>Bihar</td>
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State-wise details regarding participating institutes and adopted villages is available in the website of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan [https://unnatbharatabhiyan.gov.in/participating_institutes](https://unnatbharatabhiyan.gov.in/participating_institutes).

e) Unnat Bharat Abhiyan is inspired by the vision of transformational change in rural development processes by leveraging knowledge institutions to help build the architecture of an Inclusive India. Currently under the scheme UBA, 13072 villages have been adopted by 2474 Institutes. The technology interventions under the scheme Unnat Bharat Abhiyan has been able to transform the living conditions in villages. The technological interventions under the UBA cover different subjects broadly categorized like in the area of sustainable agriculture; water resource management; artisans, industries and livelihood; basic amenities (infrastructure & services) and rural energy system. With the interventions in the abovementioned areas, various new and old technologies has been developed which have transformed the living conditions in villages and has been beneficial for rural India.

Some technological interventions done under scheme UBA are; i) Mushroom Cultivation done in Gendikata cluster by IIT Delhi; ii) Environment Controlled Automated Green House For High Valued Agro Produce by HVPM College of Engineering and Technology (Amravati); iii) Safe Drinking Water by NIT Manipur and IIT Jodhpur; iv) Paper bag making by BITS Mesra; v) Pattal crockery making by NIT Hamirpur; vi) Cloth Bag making by Fatima College, Madurai; vii) Revamping of Govt. schools in Vrindavan Cluster by IIT Delhi; viii) Improved Pottery Kiln in Farrukhnagar cluster by IIT Delhi; ix) Thread winding machine for weavers by Dr.B.R.Ambedkar University, Etcherla; x) Agriculture drone system by Santhiram Engineering College, Nandyal (A.P) etc.

The detailed interventions done under the scheme Unnat Bharat Abhiyan for betterment of rural community can be accessed at [https://unnatbharatabhiyan.gov.in/new-uba/uba-sanctioned-projects](https://unnatbharatabhiyan.gov.in/new-uba/uba-sanctioned-projects).

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