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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3032 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15TH MARCH, 2021

NISHTHA Programme

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Will the **Minister of EDUCATION** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of progress made under the NISHTHA Programme for teacher training, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the details of other measures being taken to provide for skill development and leadership to teachers in the country; and
- (c) the details of measures taken/being taken in this regard for the State of Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a): Under National Initiative for School Heads' and Teachers' Holistic Advancement (NISHTHA) programme launched on 21st August, 2019, around 23000 Key Resource Persons and 17 lakh elementary teachers were trained across states and UTs in face to face mode in pre-lockdown phase.

However, due to COVID-19 challenges and in order to provide continuous learning opportunities to the teachers at the elementary level, this Department has launched NISHTHA online using DIKSHA platform in October 2020 to reach out to all elementary teachers. 30 states and UTs have initiated NISHTHA online. 4 states/UTs viz. Lakshadweep, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu and Telengana had already completed NISHTHA training in face to face mode and Kerala & West Bengal have not initiated so far. Nearly 23 lakh teachers have enrolled for the online NISHTHA modules.

(b): Under Samagra Shiksha- an Integrated Scheme for School Education- support is provided for in-service training of teachers, school Heads, subject teachers, resource persons, master trainers, Education Administrators, Teachers Educators, key resource persons, induction training of newly recruited teachers at elementary and secondary levels. Training of teachers is also provided through digital medium on SWAYAM and DIKSHA platform.

CIET-NCERT is organizing a series of Webinar starting from 07 April, 2020 for the enrichment of skills in using technology by students, teachers, teacher educators and researchers. The webinars cover various themes related to Educational Technology (ET) and Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in education. The webinar encompasses topics related to

creation and dissemination of e-contents, Content-Pedagogy-Technology integration, use of ICT in teaching-learning and assessment, OER, use of various ICT tools, creation of AR/VR contents, cyber safety and security, use of mobile apps and Artificial Intelligence (AI) based platforms etc.

(c): During COVID-19 pandemic situation, as a pilot for online Continuous Professional Development (CPD) of Teachers, NISHTHA training for the State Resource Groups of Andhra Pradesh was launched on 16th July 2020 and conducted online for 1200 SRG members from 16th July-15th September 2020. Till date about 1,03,663 teachers have been enrolled in NISHTHA online on DIKSHA from Andhra Pradesh state, out of which around 92% have completed the course.
