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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3221 TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH AUGUST, 2021

Closures of schools

3221. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH: SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether only 22 per cent of the schools in country have internet facilities and only 12 per cent of Government schools have internet facilities and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether only 30 per cent of the schools have functional computer facilities and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the options available to schools during the pandemic, as well as plans for hybrid learning in the days ahead, State wise, Government/private school wise till date;
- (d) the details of the reports of the Unified District Information System for Education Plus (UDISE+) in this regard till date; and
- (e) the funds given to Government/Private schools for this purpose and the manner in which it is utilised in pre-post Covid-19 situation till date?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) and (b) The data for UDISE+ is captured through Data Capture Formats (DCF) where schools provide the data through online mode, which is further provided to the Ministry of Education by the States. The data corresponding to the availability of internet facilities in Government schools in our country category wise can be accessed at S.No. 37 and of sub category 'infrastructure' at the link provided below:

https://dashboard.udiseplus.gov.in/#/reportDashboard/sReport

The data corresponding to the schools which have functional computer facilities in our country category wise can be accessed at S.No. 38 of sub category 'infrastructure' at the link provided above.

(c) Online classes are being conducted at the schools by employing various digital tools in the form of DIKSHA portal (https://diksha.gov.in/), SWAYAM Portal (swayam.gov.in), e-Pathshala (https://epathshala.nic.in/), NROER (National Repository of Open Educational Resources) portal (https://nroer.gov.in/welcome).

Learning programmes have also been started in the form of offline learning tools in the form of SWAYAM Prabha, DD Channel, radio, community radio and CBSE podcasts, toll free numbers, missed call, SMS based requests for audio content, localized radio content for edutainment etc.

The steps taken by all the states are shown in this report - India Report Digital Education June 2020

https://www.education.gov.in/sites/upload_files/mhrd/files/India_Report_Digital_Education_0.pdf

(d) The details of Reports of the Unified District Information for Education Plus (UDISE+) in this regard can be seen under Report Code 3013: Number of Schools by Availability of Infrastructure and Facilities, School Management and School Category at the link given below:

https://dashboard.udiseplus.gov.in/#/reportDashboard/sReport

(e) In 2020-21 an amount of Rs. 712.61 Crores was approved for ICT, Rs. 286.14 Crores under Smart Classroom and Rs. 26.09 Crores for DIKSHA. In 2021-22 the approved amount (provisional) is Rs. 1002.32 Crores for ICT, Rs. 946.33 Crores for Smart Classroom and Rs. 10.98 Crores for DIKSHA.
