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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1155

TO BE ANSWERED ON 6th DECEMBER, 2021

Digital Education

1155. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:
SHRI DHARMENDRA KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a)   whether the Government has started Smart Class System emergence of digital technologies from school to higher education;

(b)   if so, the details thereof;

(c)   the details of 'Smart Class System Scheme' in Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNVs);

(d)   the number of classes for which this system has been set up under the said scheme, in the States of Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh

(e)   whether the Government proposes to set up smart class system in all the classrooms and if so, the details of the target set for this purpose?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a)&(b): Samagra Shiksha is an overarching programme for the school education sector extending from pre-school to class XII and aims to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education at all levels of school education. Under the Information & Communication Technology (ICT) component of the Scheme, there is a provision to impart computer literacy and computer enabled learning to children, by developing and deploying curriculum based interactive multimedia, digital books, virtual labs etc. across the country. It supports establishment of smart classrooms, and ICT labs in schools, including support for hardware, educational software and e-content for teaching. It envisages covering all Government/Government-aided schools with classes VI to XII.

(c):   Government accords high priority to promotion of smart classrooms in schools all over the country including Kendriya Vidyalayas and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas. In the Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas, Smart class systems (e-classrooms)

facilities have been set up in the form of desktop/Tablet based system, interactive board displays, etc.

(d): The number of Schools Approved for Smart Classrooms for Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh has been mentioned in the table below:

No. of Schools Approved for Smart Classrooms							
Sl. No.	State	2021-22			2020-21		
		Elementary	Secondary	Total	Elementary	Secondary	Total
1	Maharashtra	663	224	887	0	0	0
2	Uttar Pradesh	0	543	543	5043	0	5043

Source: PRABANDH:1.12.2021 (Number of two smart classrooms approved per school)

(e): Setting up of smart class system is a continuous process which depends upon various factors such as physical & financial progress of earlier approvals, availability of electricity, Internet connectivity, etc.

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