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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY

LOK SABHA

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Studies through Online and Multimedia

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has maintained data regarding the impact of its initiative to ensure ongoing studies through online and other multimedia platforms for students in rural/urban areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the number of users for each initiative in 2020 and 2021, State-wise and year-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefore?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SMTANNPURNA DEVI)

- (a) to (c) To facilitate the online learning by all students a comprehensive initiative called PM eVIDYA has been initiated as part of AtmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan on 17th May, 2020, which unifies all efforts related to digital/online/on-air education to enable multi-mode access to education. The initiative includes:
- DIKSHA the nation's digital infrastructure for providing quality e-content for school education in states/UTs and QR coded Energized Textbooks for all grades (one nation, one digital platform). Till date (25.11.2021) DIKSHA has more than 402 crores learning sessions, more than 4,844 crore learning minutes and more than 2,730 crores page hits with more than 5 crore average daily page hits. A total of 2,27,704 pieces of e-contents are live on DIKSHA as on date.

- One earmarked Swayam Prabha TV channel per class from 1 to 12 (one class, one channel): The same content is simulcast through YouTube and Jio channels, where the viewership as per latest data is 7,48,06,128.
- Extensive use of Radio, Community radio and CBSE Podcast- Shiksha Vani: 3,211 pieces of curriculum-based radio programmes (Classes 1 -12) for its dissemination/ broadcast on 230 Radio Stations (18 GyanVani FM Radio Stations, 80 Community Radio Stations), 132 All India Radio stations, Podcasts on iRadio and JioSaavn Mobile apps.
- Special e-content for visually and hearing impaired developed on Digitally Accessible Information System (DAISY) and in sign language on NIOS website/YouTube: In all 767 textbook based ISL videos recorded. Out of these 510 textbook based on ISL videos are uploaded on DIKSHA. Out of 10,000 word ISL dictionary words, all 10,000 ISL dictionary words have been uploaded on DIKSHA.
 3,142 audio books chapters are also uploaded on DIKSHA. The data given w.r.t. DIKSHA usage, includes this e-content.
