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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 827 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2022

Yuwaah Skill Programme

827. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

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

- (a) whether UNICEF has started Passport to Earning (P2E) initiative in collaboration with Microsoft for empowering children with entrepreneurial employment and social skills named "Yu Waah Skills";
- (b) if so, whether this initiative has been taken in 10 countries including India;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether CBSE's 24,000 schools are likely to join this initiative of UNICEF;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and number of children likely to be benefited under this initiative; and
- (f) the schools identified by CBSE for this purpose State-wise?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) to (c): As informed by UNICEF, it has started Passport to Earning (P2E) program with Microsoft for empowering children with entrepreneurial employment and social skills. It has also been informed by UNICEF that Passport to Earning (P2E) program has been branded 'YuWaah Skills' in India.

'YuWaah Skills' (Passport to Earning India) is an e-learning solution that aims to empower youth with free, job-relevant skills and provide pathways to opportunities in apprenticeship, entrepreneurship, employment and social impact.

As per UNICEF, India is the first country to pilot Passport to Earning (P2E) program. Following this, it will be locally adapted and rolled out to several countries globally, with a potential goal of being in 10 countries within the next 3 years with focus on providing access to quality content and training on essential 21st Century Skills for employability and future-readiness.

(d) to (f): CBSE, in collaboration with UNICEF, is making available 'YuWaah Skills' to the students of all its affiliated schools free of cost in a phased manner.
