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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2366 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2022

#### **Vocational Education**

2366. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:

MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:

SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 is giving a lot of emphasis on vocational education;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by Central Government to help States to start vocational training courses under Samagra Siksha Abhiyaan (SSA) with a particular reference to Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the details of schools identified under SSA for vocational education, district-wise, in Andhra Pradesh:
- (d) whether the NEP, which was approved by the Government on 29 July 2020, is a comprehensive framework for elementary education to higher education as well as vocational training in both rural and urban India and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the policy's aim to transform India's education system by 2040 is achievable and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether any allocation made under 15th Finance Commission for vocational education and if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

### MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a): Yes Sir. The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 has given special emphasis on vocational education through integration of vocational education with general education.

(b): For providing quality Vocational Education (VE) to School Students, this department is implementing the scheme of Vocationalisation of School Education under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme - Samagra Shiksha.

Under the Scheme, Central Government provides financial assistance to States and UTs for engaging Vocational Trainers and their induction/in-service training, engagement of resource persons and Guest Faculty, purchase of Tools and equipment and its maintenance, raw materials, purchase of books, software, e-learning material, hands on skill training, field visits, on the job training to students, Assessment and Certification, Office Expenses/ Contingencies (including expenditure on awareness & publicity, guidance and counselling).

In addition, Pandit Sunderlal Sharma Central Institute of Vocational Education (PSSCIVE), a constituent unit of NCERT develops learning outcomes-based curricula and textbooks. It also arranges in-service orientation programmes for key functionaries of State/UT, capacity building programmes on vocational pedagogy, development of modules and videos for capacity building of trainers, preparation of Digital resources etc. Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) are also involved in Assessment and Certification of Schools Students. State and UTs are free to engage Vocational Trainers directly or through the Vocational Training Providers empanelled by National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC).

(c) 606 schools of Andhra Pradesh have been approved under the component of Vocationalisation of School Education under Samagra Shiksha. As per the recommendation under National Education Policy (NEP), 2020, Hub & Spoke model of Vocational Education has been initiated from 2021-22 in 21 States and UTs including Andhra Pradesh. Under the Hub & Spoke Model, 16 Hub schools and 19 Spoke schools of Andhra Pradesh have been approved. In addition, 130 schools of Andhra Pradesh have been approved for providing exposure to vocational education to the students of Classes VI to VIII.

District-wise list of approved schools may be seen at **Annexure** - **I.** 

(d) & (e): Yes Sir, The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) aims to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education at all levels of school education and higher education including access to education.

The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) provides different timelines as well as principles and methodology for its implementation. As per NEP 2020, implementation of the Policy requires multiple initiatives and actions by multiple bodies in a synchronized and systematic manner. Accordingly, Ministry of Education, other relevant Ministries/Departments, State/UT Governments and implementing agencies under their purview have started taking

initiatives towards implementation of NEP 2020 to achieve the objectives as envisaged in NEP 2020.

In order to implement NEP 2020 in Schools in a time-bound manner, various tasks have been identified for implementing each recommendation of NEP with clearly defined time-lines and responsibilities of various implementing agencies like Ministry of Education (MoE) and its various organisations, States & UTs etc. This has been documented as "Students and Teachers Holistic Advancement through Quality Education (SARTHAQ)" and published on the website of the Ministry of Education.

(f) 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission recommended grants of 4,800 Crore (1,200 crore each year) from 2022-23 to 2025-26 for incentivising States in terms of incremental change in Performance Grading Index (PGI) indicators to enhance all educational outcomes including Vocational Education. It recommended incentivising six States each year in two categories. In Category I, Rs.200 crore incentives per year per State is to be given to three States which secure the top three ranks in PGI and in Category II, Rs.200 crore incentives per year per State to be given to three States which show the highest improvement in PGI score over the previous year.

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ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (C) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2366 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2022 ASKED BY HON'BLE MPs SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY, MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE AND SHRI P.V.MIDHUN REDDY REGARDING VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

#### District Wise schools approved for Vocational Education in Andhra Pradesh

S. No.	District	No. of Schools Approved	Approval of Hub & Spokes model of VE		Approval for Pre- Vocational Education
			Hub	Spokes	Education
1	ANANTAPUR	68	1	1	10
2	CHITTOOR	42	1	1	10
3	EAST GODAVARI	46	1	1	10
4	GUNTUR	48	1	1	10
5	KRISHNA	14	1	1	10
6	KURNOOL	95	1	1	10
7	PRAKASAM	47	1	1	10
8	SPSR NELLORE	29	1	1	10
9	SRIKAKULAM	55	1	1	10
10	VISAKHAPATNAM	59	2	3	10
11	VIZIANAGARAM	58	2	3	10
12	WEST GODAVARI	12	1	1	10
13	YSR KADAPA	33	2	3	10
Total		606	16	19	130