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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 94 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2022

Vocational Education

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has introduced Hub and Spoke model of vocational education and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of schools established under this model in the State of Gujarat, district-wise:
- (c) whether the Government under this model, proposes to utilize the existing vocational infrastructure of hub schools for providing vocational education in nearby spoke schools; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (d): 'Education' is in the concurrent list of the Constitution and majority of the schools are under the jurisdiction of the respective State Governments and UT Administrations. The Department of School Education and Literacy is implementing the scheme of Vocationalisation of School Education under the umbrella of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Samagra Shiksha'. The scheme aims at integrating Vocational Education with general academic education in all Secondary/Senior Secondary schools; enhancing the Employability and Entrepreneurial abilities of the students, providing exposure to work environment; and generating awareness amongst students about various career options so as to enable them to make a choice in accordance with their aptitude, competence and aspirations. The scheme covers Government and Government aided schools.

Under the scheme, Hub & Spoke model of Vocational Education has been introduced which provides for utilization of Vocational infrastructure in 'Hub' Schools for Vocational Education of students in the 'Spoke' schools.

Based on the proposals received from the States/UTs in their Annual Work Plan and Budget, a school with adequate vocational infrastructure is designated as 'Hub' and nearby schools are designated as 'Spokes'. Vocational Labs and Trainers of 'Hub' schools are utilized to provide vocational education for the students of the schools identified as 'Spoke' schools.

The scheme provides for an additional grant of Rs. 5 lakh per 'Spoke' school to the 'Hub' schools where lab has been established, to meet the additional costs of incentive to trainers/additional trainers/raw material, on the job training, etc. It also provides for an additional grant of Rs. 3000/- per student per annum to 'Spoke' schools for transportation of students from 'Spoke' school to 'Hub' School.

The Hub & Spoke model was initiated from the year 2021-22. Based on the proposals received from the States and UTs in their Annual Work Plan & Budget, **1002** Hub schools and **1038** Spoke schools have been approved in 21 States/UTs. This department has yet not received any proposal from the State of Gujarat for the implementation of Hub & Spoke model of Vocational Education.
