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PMeVIDYA DTH Channel

2494. Shri Kripanath Mallah:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of contents telecasted by the PMeVIDYA DTH channel;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to integrate the PMeVIDYA DTH channel with other digital education initiatives, such as DIKSHA platform and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the expected outcomes in terms of educational accessibility for the hearing-impaired students?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c): The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) announced on 29.07.2020 is the first education policy of the 21st century and aims to address the many growing developmental imperatives of our country. The Policy proposes the revision and revamping of all aspects of the education structure, including its regulation and governance, to create a new system that is aligned with the aspirational goals of 21st century education, including SDG-4, while building upon India's traditions and value systems. Education is part of the Concurrent List of the Constitution and most of the Government schools are under the administration of the State Government and its bodies.

A comprehensive initiative called PM eVidya was 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 across the country under the aegis of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. States/Union Territories (UTs) collaborate with NCERT to utilise, monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of these initiatives as per their requirements in mother tongue/local/regional languages. PM eVidya includes 200 DTH TV Channels allotted to States/UTs/Autonomous Bodies (ABs)/Other Ministries like Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Ministry of Tribal Affairs in Government of India and 400 Radio channels to enable them to provide supplementary education as per their requirement in various Indian languages for classes 1-12.

The content telecast by the PM eVidya DTH TV Channels primarily includes curriculum-aligned, grade and subject-specific educational videos, typically based-on NCERT textbooks and textbooks of State Boards and Autonomous Bodies such as NIOS/CBSE/KVS/NVS/others as the case may be. In addition, other programs having co-curricular/extra-curricular value are also telecast as fillers. Such programs include videos on Yoga, Sports, General Knowledge/General Awareness, disaster management, Moral Values/Stories, Art and Craft, Cultural Heritage including Music and Dance etc.

The other details pertaining to the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for DTH - TV Channels for School Education, Guidelines for Development of Engaging eContents for Educational Television, Monitoring Report and Transmission Schedules of PM eVidya DTH TV Channels can be accessed at <https://ciet.ncert.gov.in/dth>.

Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing (DIKSHA) is the Nation's One Nation, One Digital platform for providing quality e-content for school education in States/UTs along with QR coded Energised Textbooks (ETBs) for all grades. As a participant in DIKSHA, States/UTs/ABs have generated and contributed over 3.7 lakh content in mother local/regional languages enabling multilingualism. Overall, 565.28 crore learning sessions have been completed on DIKSHA by students, teachers and other stakeholders. DIKSHA Offline supports areas with limited or no internet connectivity. The stakeholders have access to more than 450 Virtual Labs and 100 Virtual skill labs in Hindi and English on DIKSHA.

A dedicated Indian Sign Language - ISL Channel (No. 31) has been launched by Hon'ble Education Minister on 06th December 2024, broadcasting a large number of ISL videos covering the learning of ISL and NCERT textbooks across different grades and subjects. The videos in ISL, follow principles of Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and are being constantly disseminated through DIKSHA portal & App and also via PM e VIDYA (One Class, One Channel) DTH channels, PM eVidya DTH ISL channel 31 and also via YouTube channels, to ensure coherent access of e-content. These videos include NCERT textbook, glossary words in Psychology, History, Geography, Urdu, Economics; academic terms; achiever series; NBT exam warrior (PPC); Bhasha Sangam; poems; stories; dictionary; and National Anthem. The ISL textbooks can be accessed from DIKSHA class wise and subject wise from the portal link www.diksha.gov.in. The expected outcomes for hearing-impaired students under PM eVidya DTH TV Channels include enhanced access to education through ISL-enabled, barrier-free and curriculum-aligned content, improving comprehension, learning continuity and enabling independent, self-paced access to NCERT materials while strengthening inclusive participation in mainstream education.
