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Digital Learning Initiatives through DIKSHA

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of digital learning initiatives implemented across the country through the Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing (DIKSHA) platform and Study Webs of Active-Learning for Young Aspiring Minds (SWAYAM 2.0) during the last three years, including total number of courses offered and learner enrolment figures, State/UT-wise particularly in Rajasthan and Assam, especially district-wise details of Barak Valley including Cachar district;
- (b) the extent of integration of these platforms with schools, colleges, universities particularly Cachar, Karimganj and Hailakandi district of Assam and State education boards including credit recognition and alignment with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020;
- (c) the details of financial allocation and expenditure incurred for strengthening digital infrastructure and the financial allocation and expenditure for strengthening digital infrastructure, connectivity, smart classrooms and e-content development particularly in Barak Valley, including rural and remote areas of Cachar district of Assam; and
- (d) whether any evaluation study has been undertaken by the Government regarding learning outcomes, accessibility in rural and remote areas and digital divide mitigation and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (d) 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. The Ministry of Education implements ICT and Digital initiatives under Samagra Shiksha to enhance digital learning in Government schools across the country, including rural areas of Assam and Rajasthan. The initiatives aim to enhance the quality of education by integrating technology into teaching and learning processes. Under the initiatives, funds are provided for setting up ICT Labs and Smart Classrooms according to the requirements of the State submitted in the Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B).

Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing (DIKSHA) is the Nation's digital infrastructure for providing quality e-content for school education in States/UTs and QR coded Energised Textbooks (ETBs) for all grades (One Nation, One Digital platform). DIKSHA Offline supports areas with limited or no internet connectivity. To promote crucial critical thinking skills and to give space for creativity, more than 614 Virtual Labs have been created and made available on the DIKSHA platform. A group of 50 faculty members from SCERT and DIETs were trained by NCERT for development of CPD courses for teachers using Learning Management System (LMS) on DIKSHA. In addition, CPD course, Teachers Handbook on FLN and ECCE, 11,600 e-content are uploaded on DIKSHA and linked with QR Codes printed on textbooks. In Assam 3,93,549 users are enrolled in the DIKSHA portal of which 19,953 are in Cachar, 5,829 in Hailakandi and 10,607 in Sri Bhumi (Karimganj).

The total allocation for digital infrastructure, including Smart Classes, in 10,099 schools in Assam during 2018-2025 amounts to Rs. 496.47 crore. The digital infrastructure component covers internet connectivity and e-content. Allocation and expenditure against Barak Valley including Cachar district is Rs. 58.61 crore and Rs. 37.71 crore respectively.

Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education is implementing the National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NMEICT) in alignment with the vision of NEP 2020. The scheme aims to leverage the potential of ICT, in all processes of education including providing learning resources through online platforms and internet connectivity. Under the NMEICT scheme Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds (SWAYAM) platform hosts content curated by premier institutions and is available free of cost with the approach of "Anyone, Anywhere, Anytime" Learning.

More than 415 Universities have adopted the UGC (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM) Regulations, 2021. Out of these, 29 and 14 Universities are from the States of Rajasthan and Assam respectively. In the last three years, more than 8300 courses have been delivered through Swayam, which have witnessed more than 2.4 crore enrolments. The State/UT-wise details of the enrolments in SWAYAM platform in these years is placed at Annexure I.

Additionally, the Government of India, in the Budget 2025, has announced provision of broadband connectivity to all Government Secondary schools in rural areas, including 415

schools from Assam, of which 34 are in the Cachar district and 3,265 schools from Rajasthan in phase 1, under the 'BharatNet' project to enhance digital infrastructure in remote areas by BSNL in a phased manner. Further, National Knowledge Network (NKN) under the NMEICT Scheme provides broadband connectivity to Higher Education Institutions (HEIs). A total of 391 Universities/Institutions have been provided digital connectivity through this component including 37 and 6 from Rajasthan and Assam respectively.

The PARAKH Rashtriya Sarvekshan 2024 (formerly National Achievement Survey) was undertaken by the National Assessment Centre-PARAKH, NCERT to understand the baseline performance in development of competencies among the students at the end of the Foundational, Preparatory and Middle stages (Grades 3, 6 and 9 respectively) of schooling. Nationwide over 21.15 lakh students and 2.70 lakh teachers and school leaders from more than 74,000 schools, in 781 districts participated in the assessment. To gain a comprehensive understanding of students' educational backgrounds and to enable a more comprehensive interpretation of assessment findings, information on various contextual variables was also collected as part of the survey exercise. Such contextual variables included access to digital devices and the internet at home and school. Gunotsav was conducted for assessing the Learning Outcomes of all students from Class I to X in Assam. PARAKH Rashtriya Sarvekshan was conducted for class III, VI and IX and covered 98,757 students in the State of Assam. National, State and District level reports from PARAKH Rashtriya Sarvekshan 2024, providing insights on achievement of stage-specific competencies and contextual variables affecting performance, are available at <https://dashboard.parakh.ncert.gov.in/en>, a dedicated dashboard designed to disseminate the findings of the assessment.

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) TO (D) OF THE REPLY OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3693 RAISED BY SHRI KOTA SRINIVASA POOJARY, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT & OTHERS ANSWERED ON 16.03.2026 REGARDING "DIGITAL LEARNING INITIATIVES THROUGH DIKSHA".

State/UT-wise details of the enrolments in SWAYAM platform (Year-wise)				
S. No	State/UTs	2023	2024	2025
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1,910	1,878	1,862
2	Andhra Pradesh	8,47,330	9,65,672	10,28,257
3	Arunachal Pradesh	4,282	4,592	4,894
4	Assam	53,159	86,838	1,10,443
5	Bihar	2,74,175	2,41,280	2,56,870
6	Chandigarh	11,260	10,864	14,620
7	Chhattisgarh	37,394	39,783	50,476
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	2353	2626	3425
9	Delhi	2,62,136	2,97,995	2,40,051
10	Goa	28,285	22,729	21,259
11	Gujarat	1,86,653	2,02,567	2,60,119
12	Haryana	1,61,700	1,73,157	1,76,050
13	Himachal Pradesh	33,429	29,126	35,510
14	Jammu and Kashmir	50,511	51,922	49,222
15	Jharkhand	63,081	62,015	78,078
16	Karnataka	5,46,451	5,73,421	6,76,880
17	Kerala	3,01,590	3,35,406	3,96,135
18	Ladakh	5	29	1,004
19	Lakshadweep	121	191	268
20	Madhya Pradesh	2,23,703	2,50,831	5,25,659
21	Maharashtra	9,24,685	9,77,148	10,96,717
22	Manipur	4,094	5,850	11,010
23	Meghalaya	7,858	13,606	12,399
24	Mizoram	1,457	1,335	3,698
25	Nagaland	3,053	3,178	8,012
26	Odisha	1,26,925	1,36,562	1,30,794
27	Pondicherry	36,172	38,203	42,930
28	Punjab	89,801	92,665	1,29,068
29	Rajasthan	1,54,798	1,63,148	1,90,411
30	Sikkim	3,038	2,751	4,060
31	Tamil Nadu	16,01,399	17,40,850	21,49,818
32	Telangana	4,03,069	4,41,766	5,37,887
33	Tripura	7,146	10,936	12,670
34	Uttar Pradesh	4,23,789	4,59,119	5,07,472
35	Uttarakhand	58,216	82,097	95,575
36	West Bengal	2,13,994	2,25,047	2,52,094