

and Communication Technology (ICT) in School Education in 2012. Based on the Policy guidelines, the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has developed the "Information and Communication Technology for School System: Curricula for ICT in Education" in 2013. The Curricula for ICT in Education has laid emphasis on safe and secure use of internet for students as well as teachers. The Curricula for ICT in Education has already been shared with the Chairpersons/ Secretaries of School Boards in India by NCERT. However, the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is presently not offering any specific course on cyber security in the schools affiliated to it.

High death rate of children

*312. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India accounts for highest death rate of children under five years due to environmental risks such as pollution and poor sanitation;
- (b) if so, the number of such deaths during the last three years, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the steps taken by Government to minimize the death rate of children?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA RAJ): (a) As per the recent WHO report entitled "Inheriting a Sustainable World – Atlas on children's Health and the Environment," 2017, India ranks 35th in terms of deaths of children under five attributable to the environment. As per the report, the number of deaths of children under 5 due to environmental risks in India was 248.14 per 100,000 people in 2012.

(b) The data regarding number of deaths of children is not maintained by this Ministry.

(c) As per the Sample Registration Report (SRS) of Registrar General of India, the major causes of deaths of children (2010-13) are - Prematurity and low birth weight (29.8%); Pneumonia (17.1%); Diarrhoeal disease (8.6%); Other Non-Communicable Diseases (8.3%); Birth asphyxia and birth trauma (8.2%); Injuries (4.6%); Congenital anomalies (4.4%); Ill-defined or cause unknown (4.4%); Acute bacterial sepsis and

severe infections (3.6%); Fever of unknown origin (2.5%) and all other remaining causes (8.4%).

This Ministry is implementing Schemes such as Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme, Scheme for Adolescent Girls (AGs) and Maternity Benefit Programme (MBP) as direct targeted interventions to improve the nutritional status of children in the country.

Further, interventions are also carried out under the Reproductive and Child Health Programme of National Rural Health Mission of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, such as promotion of Infant and Young Child Feeding practices, Treatment of children with severe acute malnutrition at special units called the Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres, program to prevent and combat micronutrient deficiencies, Integrated Management of Neonatal and Childhood Illnesses, Nutrition Education during Village Health and Nutrition Days, and growth monitoring of children up to three years by promoting use of Mother and Child Protection card.

Budget allocation to ISRO

*313. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated to the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) specifically for developing its capability in satellite launching during the last three years;

(b) how much revenue has been earned by ISRO by launching of foreign satellites during that period;

(c) whether Government proposes to promote ISRO as a commercial satellite launch undertaking on self-sustenance basis and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether Government is planning to seek assistance/collaboration from other countries for development of satellite launching capability and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH): (a) The funds allocated to Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), during the last three years, towards developing its capability in satellite launch, which includes development of launch vehicles, infrastructure development and R&D efforts, are given below: