

**Launch of Operation Digital Boards**

†2307. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN:  
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central and State Governments have agreed to launch Operation Digital Board in all the Government schools during the next five years to focus on digital education and increasing the use of information and communication technology in class rooms;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Operation Digital Board would be undertaken jointly by the Centre, State Government, community and corporations, as part of their corporate social responsibility; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA): (a) to (c) The Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) in its 65th meeting has adopted the resolution to launch 'Operation Digital Board' in all schools in five years, which will be undertaken jointly by the Centre, State, CSR and community and will improve the quality of education. Further, students will be empowered with 360 degree information with interesting learning experience and teacher accountability will also increase.

In addition, it has been announced in the budget speech 2018-19 that since technology will be the biggest driver in improving the quality of education, it is proposed to increase the digital intensity in education and move gradually from "black board" to "digital board".

**SWAYAM Prabha Scheme**

2308. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether 32 educational channels launched under a scheme called SWAYAM Prabha is available on Doordarshan only and private channels have refused to air them;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether these channels would soon be available on mobile app;

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