

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1174
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH JULY, 2021**

Web camera for online classes

1174 Shri K.C. Venugopal:

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Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the web cameras used by teachers of Class X and XII in Kendriya Vidyalayas for taking online classes are not of good quality and affecting students adversely;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has fixed any guidelines for teachers to provide quality education online and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government also provides financial assistance to teachers to purchase good quality gadgets so that they can provide quality education to students; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF EDUCATION
(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

(a) and (b) As far as Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan is concerned no such complaint has been received from any of the Kendriya Vidyalayas.

(c) Ministry of Education released PRAGYATA Guidelines on Digital/Online Education. The guidelines provide a roadmap or pointers for carrying forward enhanced quality online education. It is useful for a diverse set of stakeholders including school heads, teachers, parents, teacher educators and students. The guidelines can be accessed at:

https://www.education.gov.in/sites/upload_files/mhrd/files/pragyata-guidelines_0.pdf

(d) and (e) Education is a subject in the Concurrent List of the Constitution, and the matter relating to education pertains to Central as well as the State Government concerned. The approval in 2021-22 for ICT, DIKSHA and Smart classrooms are given below:

- An amount of Rs. 68685.2 Lakh is approved under Non- recurring head for ICT lab in 10727 schools.
- An amount Rs. 94633.20 Lakh is approved for smart classrooms in 42204 schools under the Non- Recurring head.
- An amount of Rs.1098.01 Lakh is also recommended under DIKSHA for development of digital contents.
