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Status of NDLI, SWAYAM and NAD projects

1151. SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of books digitally available on the National Digital Library of India (NDLI) and the number of people using NDLI;
- (b) the plans for popularizing and improving this facility;
- (c) the present status of Study Webs of Active-Learning for Young Aspiring Minds (SWAYAM) courses, the number of courses available and number of students enrolled with SWAYAM;
- (d) the plans to popularize these courses;
- (e) the status of the National Academic Depository (NAD) and the number of certificates and academic documents registered in this scheme; and
- (f) the plans for popularizing NAD?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

- (a) A total of 7.93 Crore Books, Audio Books, Articles, Video/ Audio Lectures, Questions, Solutions and other Learning Contents are digitally available in National Digital Library of India (NDLI).
- (b) NDLI regularly conducts awareness sessions (physical and online), user workshops, various outreach programs and social media promotions to popularize NDLI. NDLI has also set up more than 2600 Clubs in Schools and Higher Educational Institutions where members of the NDLI Club conduct learning oriented activities using contents of NDLI.

- (c) So far, a total of 6,925 Courses have been offered on SWAYAM and a total of 2.46 Crore enrolments have been made under SWAYAM.
- (d) To popularize these courses, local chapters across the country have been established to conduct awareness workshops. Social media platforms are also used to popularize SWAYAM courses apart from News Letters, posters, course booklets etc. UGC also requests and encourage Universities and students to take benefit of these courses. University Grants Commission (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds) Regulations, 2021 have been notified, which facilitates an institution to allow upto 40% (which was earlier upto 20%) of the total courses being offered in a particular programme in a semester through the online learning courses offered through SWAYAM Platform.
- (e) In National Academic Depository (NAD), 4.45 crores awards have been uploaded till now.
- (f) The NAD is popularized by the UGC through academic institutions. The institutions utilize their social media platforms. Additionally, the UGC also conducts handholding online programmes of NAD system. UGC has also created NAD Media section and NAD hyperlink on the home page of UGC website (<https://www.ugc.ac.in/>).
