GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1123 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.12.2021

Implementation of new education policy

1123. Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has prepared any action plan for implementation of the new education policy at the earliest;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has included any action plan in the new education policy to make all the native languages of the country, including Hindi, more effective in comparison to other foreign languages; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) and (b): As per National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020), implementation of the Policy requires multiple initiatives and actions, which will have to be taken by different bodies in a synchronized and systematic manner. Accordingly, Ministry has written to all its implementing agencies, regulatory bodies, State/UT Governments, other stakeholder Ministries/Departments, etc for taking steps for implementation of NEP 2020. In pursuance of the goals and objectives of the NEP 2020 and to assist States, UTs and other organisations in this task, the Department of School Education & Literacy has developed an indicative and suggestive NEP Implementation Plan for School Education, 'Students' and 'Teachers' Holistic Advancement through Quality Education (SARTHAQ)'.

Further, various Committees/Expert Groups have been constituted by the both the Departments i.e. D/o Higher Education and D/o School Education & Literacy of the Ministry and other implementing agencies under its control for effective implementation of various aspects of National Education Policy 2020.

(c) and (d): NEP 2020 states that wherever possible, the medium of instruction until at least Grade 5, but preferably till Grade 8 and beyond, will be the home language/mother tongue/local language/regional language. Thereafter, the home/local language shall continue to be taught as a language wherever possible.
