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ROBOTIC PROCESS AUTOMATION LAB AT NIELIT, GORAKHPUR

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Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Robotic Process Automation (RPA) Lab at NIELIT, Gorakhpur;
- (b) the details of the Future skill Prime Project undertaken by the Ministry along with its aims and objectives; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to set up more RPA labs across the country, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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(a) to (c): India over the last 9 years has become a pre-eminent nation in developing technologies for the benefit and transforming the lives of its citizens. In recent times, there have been deep changes in the workforce, which has created a need for a digital skilled workforce in India and around the world. It is the Government of India's vision to make India the global skill hub of the world especially in digital skills. Keeping this in view, a number of programmes are being implemented for digital skilling all around the country including by NIELIT. FutureSkills PRIME (Programme for Re-skilling/Up-skilling of IT Manpower for Employability) is one such programme that is being implemented in partnership with Industry which deals with the following future-ready and industry-ready technologies:

- Artificial Intelligence,
- Robotic Process Automation,
- Augmented/Virtual Reality,
- Internet of Things,
- Big Data Analytics,
- Additive Manufacturing/ 3D Printing,
- Cloud Computing,
- Social & Mobile,
- Cyber Security, and
- Blockchain.

The FutureSkills PRIME Programme follows an 'aggregator of aggregators' approach for digital skills training through a national-scale online platform. So far, more than 6.85 lakh candidates have been enrolled in various courses, out of which 2.92 lakh candidates have completed their courses. In addition, 40 C-DAC/ NIELIT Resource Centres (Lead/ Co-Lead Centres) have so far trained 10,986 Government Officials and 2,258 Trainers under the said programme. In the state of Uttar Pradesh, 27,644 candidates have enrolled, out of which 11,157 candidates have completed their course.

Under the FutureSkills PRIME Programme, Robotic Process Automation (RPA) labs have been set up at NIELIT Centres in Gorakhpur (Uttar Pradesh) & Aurangabad (Maharashtra); and at CDAC centre in Kolkata (West Bengal) through which, 762 Government Officials and 41 Trainers have been trained. Further, twelve (12) courses on Robotic Process Automation (RPA) are available on the FutureSkills PRIME platform. A total of 4,658 candidates have been enrolled in these courses, out of which 1,734 candidates have completed their course.
