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DIGITAL INDIA INTERNSHIP SCHEME

2931. SHRI AYODHYA RAMI REDDY ALLA:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which the Digital India Internship Scheme aligns with the broader objectives of the Digital India initiative and the expected outcomes in terms of driving digital transformation in the country;
- (b) the rationale behind the selection of specific areas of focus for the Scheme, and the manner in which these areas align with the country's strategic priorities in the Information Technology (IT) and electronics sector; and
- (c) the manner in which the Scheme will address the challenges of skill obsolescence and ensure that interns are equipped with cutting-edge skills that are relevant to the industry's evolving needs?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (c): Government has launched the Digital India programme with the vision of transforming India into a digitally empowered society and a knowledge-based economy, by ensuring digital access, digital inclusion, digital empowerment and bridging the digital divide. The Digital India Internship Scheme provides students with practical experience in various pillars of Digital India initiative and helps them in enhancing their skills and employability. The interns work on policy and implementation issues and contribute in driving digital transformation in the country.

The specific areas under the scheme are chosen every year based on the current priorities and thrust areas of the Ministry. This depends on the strategic priorities of the country in the fields of Electronics and IT including semiconductors, electronics manufacturing, e-governance, cyber laws, emerging technologies and capacity building.
