

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1667

TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

PROGRAMME FOR SPACE EDUCATION

1667. SHRI RANJEETSINGH NAIK NIMBALKAR:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

SHRI DEVIJI M. PATEL:

SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched any specific programmes, initiatives and activities to promote space education and outreach among the youth;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has any mechanism to ensure the accessibility of space education and outreach programmes to the vulnerable populations;**
- (d) if so, the steps taken for the same and if not, the reasons therefor;**

- (e) whether the Government has coordinated/ collaborated with any of the educational institutions for the aforementioned initiatives to promote space education;**
- (f) if so, the number and details of such institutions;**
- (g) if not, whether the Government is planning for such future collaborations; and**
- (h) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC
GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE**

(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) Yes Sir.**
- (b) ISRO has instituted a Space Tutor, YUva Vigyani KAryakram (YUVIKA) & Space on Wheels programme to promote space education and outreach activities among young minds across the country.**
- (c) Yes Sir.**
- (d) Announcement of opportunity is released through ISRO portal and all the interested non-profitable organizations and educational institutions are eligible to apply and register as ISRO's registered space tutors. Every year announcement is being made through ISRO portal for eligible school students to apply for YUVIKA**

programme. MOU signed with Vijnana Bharati (VIBHA) to move the Space on Wheels in the nook & corner of the country.

(e) Yes Sir.

(f) As of now 96 nos. of non-profitable organization and educational institutions have registered with ISRO on ISRO's registered space tutors. Collaborated with VIBHA for networking the movement of Space on Wheels to local educational institutions across the country.

(g) Does not arise.

(h) Does not arise.
