GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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ELECTRONIC EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have a proposal to promote Electronic Education all over the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and targets fixed for 2001-2002 academic session;

(c) whether the global education network is being started for Electronic Education in every State;

(d) if so, the interest shown by the various States; and

(e) to what extent the Centre is planning to assist the State Governments in promoting Electronic Education?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN)

(a): The Government of India considers Online Learning or Electronic Education as an area with potential for generating quality IT manpower and is also a scalable methodology to meet manpower requirements. Hence, Government of India is promoting this area.

(b): No specific targets have been proposed. A National Resource Centre for Online Learning has been set up at NCST, Mumbai to further the objective. A few more projects have also been funded.

(c),(d) and (e): There are no specific proposals. Kerala Government has shown interest on behalf of IIITM, Kerala.