

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

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PROMOTION OF ELECTRONIC EDUCATION  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of programmes/ schemes launched by the Government to promote Electronic Education all over the country;
- (b) whether any target has been fixed in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which the target has been achieved during the last two years;
- (d) whether the Government have started global education network in every State for Electronic Education;
- (e) if so, the States which have shown interest therein; and
- (f) the assistance provided/being provided to State Government by the Union Government for promoting Electronic Education?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SANJAY PASWAN)

(a): The Ministry of Communications and Information Technology is promoting e-learning as a potential methodology to complement Government of India's efforts to generate quality IT manpower.

(b)&(c) The projects supported lay focus on research and development in the areas of courseware engineering, courseware development, instructional design, content creation, etc. pertaining to E-Learning. The projects currently underway at various institutions are given below:

1. National Resource Centre for Online Learning at NCST, Mumbai.
  2. Virtual Campus Initiative of IGNOU - One-Year PG Diploma in IT at IGNOU, New Delhi.
  3. Developing Web Based Digitized Collection for Distance and Continuing Education in Information Technology-A demonstrative project on Internet Based Online Interactive Courseware, IIT- Delhi.
  4. Design and Development of Internet Enabled Multimedia Based Courseware for Virtual University at BITS, Pilani
  5. Development of Interactive Multimedia Information Services over a hybrid Internet & Broadcast Digital TV Network at IIT-Kanpur.
  6. Web Based Intelligent Interactive Tutoring at IIT Delhi.
  7. Design & Development of Component Based Functionality to e-Learning tools at C-DAC, Hyderabad.
  8. Multi-modal Digital Distance Education for IT & Other Critical Technologies at School of Education Technology, Jadavpur University, Kolkata
- (d) No, Sir.  
(e) & (f) Do not arise.