GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PANCHAYATI RAJ LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3715 ANSWERED ON:19.03.2015 COMPUTER LITERACY Chavan Shri Harishchandra Deoram

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering any cooperation with private institutions particularly Information Technology companies for providing computer literacy to the people in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any Non-Governmental Organisation has approached the Government and any financial assistance has been received from any foreign country/agency in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI NIHAL CHAND)

(a) to (d) In line with the objective of the National Policy on Information Technology (IT) 2012 to make one person in every household in the country e-literate, two schemes, namely the National Digital Literacy Mission and Digital Saksharta Abhiyan are being implemented by the Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY) under the Digital India Programme. The aim of the National Digital Literacy Mission is to provide digital literacy training at two levels, relevant to the needs of the trainee, to enable the beneficiaries to use IT and related appli- cations for their livelihood earning and employability. Similarly, the aim of the Digital Saksharta Abhiyan is to make people digitally literate in selected households throughout the country. Industry and Non-Governmental Organizations are also partnering with the Government in imparting IT training to people under both these schemes.