

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3409
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25th March, 2021**

Aid to students for pursuing online education

3409 Shri Derek O' Brien:

Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has estimated the number of students in Government-aided or Government run schools studying online due to the pandemic;
- (b) the aid provided to these students to assist them in pursuit of online education; and
- (c) the amount Government spent on the aid or assistance and under which head?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF EDUCATION
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')**

(a) & (b) Education is a subject in the Concurrent List of the Constitution, and the matter relating to education pertains to Central as well as the State Government concerned. Mapping of the students is being done school wise and individual performance of every student has been observed and a track on the same has been put on record. Accordingly, the state governments have been directed to act based on the situation prevailing at every place to meet the demands of all students for providing them with the digital access required for learning digitally.

(c) An amount of Rs.224.49 Crore has been approved for smart classroom in 12026 Schools under project innovation. And an amount of Rs 763.04 Crore have been approved for 4049 schools under ICT and Digital Initiatives.
