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Subject: Lok Sabha Starred Question No.1721 regarding "Literacy Rate in Jharkhand" asked by
Shri Vishnu Dayal Ram.

S. No.	Question	Answer
(a)	The reasons for low literacy rate in Jharkhand	NIOS is providing Secondary and Sr. Secondary Course through open and distance learning mode. As far as NIOS is concerned in Secondary-2694 and Senior Secondary-6947 students are enrolled from Jharkhand State for Academic Session 2018-2019.
(b)	Whether the Saakshar Bharat Programme has been implemented in Jharkhand and if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocation to Jharkhand to improve the literacy rate during the last three years;	Yes, implemented in Jharkhand. However, as regard allocation of fund to Jharkhand, it is to say that as per MOU signed between NIOS and CSC e-Governance services limited under which NIOS is the assessing and certifying agency under NDLM for Digital Literacy Programme. As per MOU that NIOS may raise a claim against the number of Learners appeared for the examination on a monthly basis @ Rs.50/- per learner inclusive of all applicable taxes.
(c)	The achievements made under the Saakshar Bharat Programme in Jharkhand;	Annexure - A, B & C for the assessment/ achievement years 2016, 2017 and 2018 are attached.
(d)	Whether any special provisions have been made to impart education in the left wing extremism affected districts in Jharkhand and so, the details thereof; and	To cater to the special needs of people who are physically, mentally challenged, socially and geographically isolated marginalized and are from disadvantaged sections of the society such as street children, working adults, rural women, NIOS has setup Special Accredited Institutions called Special Accredited Institutions for Education of the Disadvantaged (SAIED) and as per the NIOS norms the fee exemption for education is provided to the women and other disadvantaged groups.
(e)	Whether any special provisions have been made to impart education to the women and other disadvantaged groups in Jharkhand and if so, the details thereof?	NIOS in collaboration with the Govt. of Jharkhand has initiated Project "Tejaswini: Socio - economic Empowerment of Adolescent Girls and Young Women". The objective is to enable to complete secondary education and young women who drop-out of school. It has three main components - expanding social, educational and economic opportunities; intensive service delivery; and state capacity building and implementation support. NIOS Vocational courses are also offered PAN India and any one fulfilling the eligibility criteria can register himself/ herself for the programmes. Many skill based programmes are offered like Cutting & Tailoring, Beauty Culture, Bakery & Confectionery, Indian Embroidery etc. which generally attract female learners.