GOVERNMENT TO ACCORD TOPMOST PRIORITY FOR EDUCATION – CM

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Stating that the Government is committed to accord top most priorities for education sector the Chief Minister Dr. Pramod Sawant has said that, to accomplish this goal the Government has started Smart Classrooms and Virtual Class Studios at four educational institutes in the state. He was speaking at a function held at Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Sankhali.

The Chief Minister said, introduction of Smart Classrooms and Virtual Class Studio coincided with completion of 100 days of his Government. Talking about the revamped infrastructure in the education sector, the Chief Minister said, now it has to match with the quality of teachings.

Chief Minister Dr. Sawant inaugurated Smart Classrooms and Virtual Class Studio which has been set up by the Directorate of Higher Education. Smt. Neela Mohanan, IAS, Secretary for Education, Shri Prasad Lolyekar, Director, Higher Education, Shri Gervasio Mendes, Principal, Government College of Art, Science and Commerce, Prof. Anil Karambalekar, Vice Principal, Shri Shashi Vishwakarma, Vice President of PTA graced the occasion.

Earlier Shri Prasad Lolyekar, welcomed the guests. Speaking further, the Chief Minister said, such high-tech classroom forms an integral part in the life of student. He said this technology enriches the curriculum by making learning an interactive experience. Smart classrooms are big hit among students as they are interactive, informative and innovative, he added.

Stressing on easy to learn technology the Chief Minister said, such learning environment allows students and knowledge to thrive, so that both teachers and students develop the 21st century skills that they need in order to succeed.

Smart classrooms come along with digital podium, which helps to integrates various accessory devices helping the course of presentations. The Chief Minister also informed that, considering the benefits by the latest technology, the Higher Education has setup and installed Smart Classrooms and Virtual Class Studios in four Government Colleges, which will be officially inaugurated soon. Government is thinking to enhancing the same facilities in private colleges, the Chief Minister added.
All together 19 smart classrooms and one Virtual Class Studio are installed in Government College at Sankhali. Out of the 19 Smart Classrooms, 13 classrooms are installed with 85 percent interactive touch panels and 6 classrooms are installed with 65 percent interactive touch panels. This system allows the user to work on websites, images, power point presentations, animation and other files, both online and offline. Smt. Neela Mohanan, IAS also spoke on the occasion. Prof. Sharad Jamkhindi compered the function and Prof. Gervasio Mendes proposed vote of thanks.

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