GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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GER in Higher Education

3850 SMT. PHULO DEVI NETAM:

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

(a) the reasons why the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in higher education has increased by just 2.1 per cent from 2016, according to the All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2019-20;
(b) the annual GER during the last five years till date, State-wise and year-wise; and
(c) what measures are being implemented to increase the GER in higher education?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. RAJKUMAR RANJAN SINGH)

(a) & (b) As per All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE), Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) has increased from 24.3 in 2014-15 to 27.1 in 2019-20 with an overall increase of 11.5% over the period. The State-wise and year-wise GER is at https://www.education.gov.in/en/parl_ques.

(c) Government has taken various measures to increase the GER in Higher Education which include issuing of new University Grants Commission (UGC) regulation for Open and Distance Learning that allows entry of reputed institutions to offer education on the distance mode, using ICT mode through- SWAYAM portal to reach out to people and allow them to secure good quality education, , hostel accommodation, establishment of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs), teaching in local/Indian languages, Direct to Home(DTH) courses, encouraging expansion of education by State Governments through the Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA), more scholarship programmes to supplement the cost of education etc.

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