

Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
(Department of Youth Affairs)

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NUMBER 178
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2023

Development of infrastructure and faculty facilities at RGNIYD

***178. DR. KANIMOZHI NVN SOMU:**

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- a) the steps taken by Government to develop infrastructure and faculty facilities at Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu;
- b) whether it is a fact that CBI cases were pending with charges of embezzlement of funds in RGNIYD, if so, the current status of cases filed by CBI and under investigation;
- c) the total number of faculty positions sanctioned, filled and lying vacant at RGNIYD and its Regional Centres in the country; and
- d) the steps taken by Government to impart training and skill development through various activities of RGNIYD and its Regional Centres?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
[SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR]

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 178 FOR 16.03.2023 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACULTY FACILITIES AT RGNIYD ASKED BY HON'BLE MP DR. KANIMOZHI NVN SOMU.

a) Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu, is an Institute of National Importance established by an Act of Parliament No.35/2012 under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India. The RGNIYD was set up in the year 1993 under the Societies Registration Act, XXVII of 1975. In 2008, RGNIYD was conferred the status of "Institution Deemed-to-be-University" under Section-3 of the UGC Act, 1956. The Government of India releases funds under three heads viz. Salaries, General and Capital Asset. The Capital Asset component is utilized for the development of the infrastructure facilities of the RGNIYD. The RGNIYD has campus of 42 acres, equipped with infrastructure facilities which include 28 Classrooms equipped with LCD facilities, WiFi / LAN connections, 4 laboratories (1 Psychology lab, 1 General Computer lab and 2 Departmental computer lab), well-equipped air-conditioned Conference Halls, Seminar Halls, 500-member capacity Auditorium with latest Audio - Visual equipment, hostel facility, boarding and lodging facilities, guest houses and residential quarters for the faculty and staff of the Institute. At present, the RGNIYD has 63 sanctioned posts (30 teaching and 33 non-teaching staff)

(b) Yes, the cases are sub judice.

(c) Total sanctioned strength of faculty position is 30. Out of which, 25 are filled and 5 posts are vacant.

(d) Various programs focused on practical skills run by the RGNIYD and its Regional Centre are as under:

(1) The Post-Graduate programs run by RGNIYD are M.Sc. in (i) Data Science (ii) Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning (iii) Cyber Security (iv) Mathematics (v) Applied Psychology; M.A. in (i) English (ii) Sociology (iii) Development Studies (iv) Public Administration; M.S.W. in Youth and Community Development. The Undergraduate/Post-Graduate/Post-Graduate Diploma courses run by RGNIYD in collaboration with different institutes are B. Voc. in (i) Apparel Manufacturing and Entrepreneurship (ii) Fashion Design and Retail; B.Sc. in (i) Animation (ii) Filmmaking (iii) Game Design; B.A. in (i) Fashion (ii) Visual Communication Design; BBA in (i) Event Management (ii) Media and Communication; MA. in (i) Filmmaking (ii) Costume Design; MBA in (i) Event Management (ii) Media and Entertainment; Post-Graduate Diploma in (i) Animation (ii) Game Design (iii) Visual Communication Design. Also, the RGNIYD offers interdisciplinary doctoral programmes on Youth studies.

(2) The RGNIYD also conducts various skill training and development programs focussed on (i) Gender Sensitization (ii) Psychosocial Counselling (iii) Entrepreneurship Focussed Programs (iv) Environmental Education.
