# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 227 ANSWERED ON 22.03.2023

### Pakistani Author's Book Prescribed at Educational Institution in the Country

## 227 # Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

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

- (a) whether Government has taken cognizance of the fact that a book by Pakistani author is being taught at Aligarh Muslim University, Jamia Millia Islamia or any other educational institution in the country and the language is derogatory to Indian citizens and also supports terrorism;
- (a) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government would consider to scrutinize the contents of textbooks written by the said Pakistani author and take action against the persons responsible for the same?

### **ANSWER**

### THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.227 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.03.2023 REGARDING "PAKISTANI AUTHOR'S BOOK PRESCRIBED AT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE IN THE COUNTRY" ASKED BY SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT.

(a) to (c) The Central Universities such as Aligarh Muslim University and Jamia Milia Islamia are autonomous institutions established by the Acts of Parliament. They are governed by their own set of rules such as Statutes and Ordinances framed under their respective Acts. The Departments of these Universities/Institutions have Curriculum Development Committee which suggests books for the students to the Board of Studies. In the library of these Universities/ Institutions, the Board of Studies of the Departments recommends list of books to the University Librarian for procurement. The data relating to books recommended by the Board of Studies of Departments of these Universities/ Institutions are not maintained centrally. However, none of the Central Universities has reported that any book by any Pakistani Author is being taught.

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