

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 313
ANSWERED ON 29.03.2023**

Attack on students in IGNTU by security staff

313 Shri Elamaram Kareem:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the recent attack on students from Kerala studying in the Indira Gandhi National Tribal University(IGNTU), Madhya Pradesh by the security staff of the University;
- (b) the action taken by Government on this issue and the inaction of the University in ensuring safety of students;
- (c) whether there is growing intolerance in Central Universities with respect to region and language; and
- (d) the action taken by Government to ensure safety of students studying in Central Universities?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF EDUCATION
(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 313 FOR ANSWER ON 29.03.2023 REGARDING ATTACK ON STUDENTS IN IGNTU BY SECURITY STAFF ASKED BY SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT.

(a) to (d): Indira Gandhi National Tribal University (IGNTU), Madhya Pradesh has informed that an incident was occurred in its campus on 10 March 2023 involving some of its students and security guards, following which, a five-member fact-finding Committee was immediately constituted to conduct detailed inquiry into this matter. The Committee submitted its report to the University on 20.03.2023. IGNTU is a statutory autonomous organisation established under an Act of Parliament and is governed by its respective Act, Statutes and the Ordinances made thereunder. All administrative and academic decisions are taken by the University itself. Accordingly, the University is competent to take necessary action in this matter, as per the provisions of its Act, Statutes and the Ordinances.

There is no report regarding intolerance in Central Universities. Central Universities are sensitive and vigilant to ensure the safety of the students studying in the university without any discrimination.
