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Third- party review of NEET- UG Exam 2024

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and findings of the third-party review of the NEET Undergraduate Exam of 2024;
- (b) the total number of exam centres of NEET UG Exam where such a third-party review was conducted;
- (c) the details of the third-party review of exam centres including compliance of the provisions of guarded strong rooms, mandatory CCTV cameras, etc.; and
- (d) the steps Government has taken on the basis of the findings and conclusion of the thirdparty review?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)**

(a) to (d) The NEET(UG) 2024 Examination was conducted by the National Testing Agency (NTA) on 5th May 2024 at 4750 Centres in 571 cities (including 14 Cities abroad). After the conduct of NEET (UG) 2024 Examination, certain cases of alleged irregularities/cheating/malpractices were reported. The Ministry of Education has asked the Central Bureau of Investigation to conduct a comprehensive investigation into the entire gamut of alleged irregularities including conspiracy, cheating, breach of trust etc. w.r.t. the NEET(UG) 2024 Examination. Further, to suggest effective measures for conducting transparent, smooth and fair conduct of examinations by the NTA, the Ministry of Education has constituted on 22.06.2024 a seven member High-Level Committee of Experts, headed by Dr. K. Radhakrishnan, former Chairman ISRO and Chairman BoG, IIT Kanpur to make recommendations on Reforms in mechanism of examination process, Improvement in Data Security protocols and Structure and functioning of NTA. The mandate of the Committee includes analysis of end-to-end examination process, thorough review of standard operating Procedures/Protocols and evaluation of existing data security protocols. The Committee shall submit report in two months.
