GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL & TRAINING)

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 439 (TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2024)

CANCELLATION OF EXAMINATIONS DUE TO PAPER LEAKS

439 # SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of cases of paper leaks in the recruitment process of Government jobs during the last five years, State-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the number of examinations cancelled and the expenditure incurred in re-conducting them;
- (c) the approximate number of applicants affected thereby and the action taken against those apprehended in the above cases so far; and
- (d) the details of action taken against NTA officials so far in the wake of cases of paper leaks in the examinations conducted by the NTA, including NEET?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a): No incidence/event of paper leakage has been reported in the recruitment process of government jobs during the last five years in the recruitment examinations conducted by Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Staff Selection Commission (SSC), Railway Recruitment Board (RRB) and Institute of Banking Personnel Selection (IBPS).
- (b) & (c): Does not arise in view of point (a) above.
- (d): National Testing Agency (NTA) conducted NEET/UGC Examination on 5th May, 2024 in OMR (Pen and paper) mode. Certain cases of alleged irregularities /cheating/impersonation/malpractices were reported. Ministry of Education, Government of India after a review decided to entrust the matter to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) for comprehensive investigation on 22.06.2024.
