

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (DIVYANGJAN)
RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1255

ANSWERED ON 30/07/2025

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF DISABILITY STUDIES AND REHABILITATION SCIENCES

1255. SHRI AJAY MAKAN:

SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the government has announced in 2015 the setting up of a National University of Disability Studies and Rehabilitation Sciences;
- (b) if so, the details reasons for the delay in setting up of this university;
- (c) whether the government has prepared any roadmap along with clearly defined timelines for expeditiously enabling the university to become operational; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI B.L.VERMA)

(a) Yes. The proposal for establishing a National University for Disability Studies and Rehabilitation Sciences (NUDSRS) emanated from the Budget Announcement for 2015-16.

(b), (c) & (d) Initially, the proposal for upgrading existing institution was considered, which was later revised to establish a standalone University in Kamrup District, Assam, keeping in view the regional needs and national vision. Subsequently, statutory and financial procedures such as DPR revision, stakeholder consultations, and inter-governmental coordination have been carried out so far. No specific time frame can be given as , identification of land, construction of building/infrastructure and recruitment of human resources and requisite approvals from various authorities will be required.
