## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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## UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 355 ANSWERED ON 23.07.2025

#### **Opening of Central University in Bihar**

### 355# Smt. Dharmshila Gupta:

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to open a Central University in the districts falling under the Mithila region of Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, whether any scheme has been implemented regarding Universities and higher education; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) to (d): Presently, there is no proposal under consideration in this Ministry to open a Central University in the districts falling under the Mithila region of Bihar. Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme to fund States/UTs educational institutions, with a vision to attain higher levels of access, equity and excellence in the State Higher Education. The Government has launched the third phase of Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) in June 2023 in the form of Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (PM-USHA). This scheme provides support under various components viz Multi-Disciplinary Education and Research Universities (MERU), Grant to Strengthen Universities (GSU), Grants to Strengthen Colleges (GSC), New Model Degree Colleges (NMDC) and Gender Inclusion and Equity Initiative (GIEI). The Scheme of Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching has been launched as umbrella scheme aimed at improving the quality of education at all levels by infusing quality and excellence in teachers and teaching. The 'National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology' (NMEICT) has been launched to leverage the potential of ICT to make the best quality content accessible to all learners in the country.

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