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Indian Knowledge System Program

365. Dr. Laxmikant Bajpayee:

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

- (a) whether any assessment has been made through student feedback of the Indian Knowledge System (IKS) program being run in various educational institutions of the country;
- (b) whether the IKS program being implemented by Doon University, Dehradun, as a second education initiative has obtained excellent feedback on a pilot scale;
- (c) if so, whether any assessment/feedback from students of Doon University has been obtained for promoting this second education initiative as it promotes Indian Spiritual Tradition through global perspective; and
- (d) If so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The Government of India has framed the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 with an aim to promote a holistic and multidisciplinary education systems, with a focus on the integration and promotion of Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS). The Policy envisions a learner-centric, holistic, and multidisciplinary higher education ecosystem. In line with the vision of NEP 2020, the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, through its Central Sector Scheme i.e., Indian Knowledge System (IKS), is promoting research, curriculum integration, and capacity building in India's traditional knowledge systems. The University Grants Commission (UGC) has formulated the 'Curriculum and Credit Framework for Undergraduate Programmes (CCFUGP)' in line with NEP 2020, which provides for the integration of Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) in the degree programmes.

Student feedback relating to institution specific IKS courses/programmes is generally maintained by the respective institutions/universities in accordance with their academic and quality assurance mechanisms. As per the information provided by Doon University, Dehradun, a State University established by the Government of Uttarakhand under the provisions of the Doon University Act, 2005, the university offers a two-credit value-added course namely "Second Education – The Science of Self (IKS)" based on Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) for under-graduate students. The course has received positive feedback from a majority of the participating students as informed by the university.
