GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3066 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.12.2016

Submission of Aadhaar

3066. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- a) whether the students from Jammu and Kashmir are facing issues with the e-portal for disbursement of scholarships due to insistence on mandatory submission of Aadhaar Card;
- (b) if so, the details of such complaints received; and
- (c) the steps undertaken by the Government to facilitate the students who do not have/do not submit Aadhaar Card?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a) to (c) No, Madam. Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development is administering (i) Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and University students and (ii) Special Scholarship Scheme for Jammu and Kashmir.

Aadhaar is being used as an identifier, to facilitate direct and timely transfer of scholarship amount and to bring transparency in the implementation of the schemes. The scholarship is not being denied on the grounds that the beneficiary does not possess Aadhaar. In the absence of Aadhaar, copy of request made for Aadhaar enrolment or photo identity card, bank passbook etc., can be used as an identifier till the Aadhaar number is obtained by the beneficiary.
