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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2839 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.03.2017

Safety of Students in Campuses

2839: SHRI MUZAFFAR HUSSAIN BAIG:

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

- (a) the details of incidents of unrest in Jawaharlal Nehru University Campus during the last two years;
- (b) whether it is a fact that one of the student of the University has gone missing and could not be traced up till now and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for the safety of students in Central Universities?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

- (a) The Jawaharlal Nehru University has reported the following incidents of unrest in the campus during the last two years:
 - i) the incident of 9th February, 2016 related to a programme organised by some students of the University near Sabarmati and Ganga Hostel,
 - ii) the incident of missing of Mr. Najeeb Ahmad, resident of Mahi Hostel, and
 - iii) the incident related to adoption of UGC regulation relating to award of M.Phil and Ph.D degree in terms of UGC.
- (b) It has been reported that Mr. Najeeb Ahmad, M.Sc. Student left his hostel on 15.10.2016 without any information and he has not returned to his hostel till date. The matter is being investigated by the Delhi Police.
- (c) The Central Universities are autonomous institutions established under the respective Acts of Parliament and are competent to take action in the academic and administrative matters of the institutions, including the safety of the students. UGC has also issued guidelines on the safety of students on and off campuses of higher educational institutions.
