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

#### LOK SABHA

# UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2928 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.03.2017

### **Review of Curricula by Universities**

# 2928. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI: SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:

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

- (a) whether the University Grants Commission has asked all the central universities to review and revise their curricula to make the college and university students more employable;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the various central universities in this regard and whether the proposed new curricula by them have the approval of eminent educationists; and
- (c) if so, the details in this regard and other steps taken by the Government to ensure that gaps between the skill sets of the students and the jobs available in the markets are bridged?

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

- (a) and (b) Yes, Madam. The University Grants Commission has written to Vice Chancellors of all Universities including Central Universities on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2017 to take action for revision of curricula of their various programmes. Although no record of revision of curricula by individual University is centrally maintained, however, such revision is approved by internal bodies of Universities like Board of Studies and Academic Council which generally comprise of experts and academics.
- (c) UGC is implementing several schemes namely; (i) Community Colleges (ii) Bachelor of Vocation degree programme, and (iii) Deen Dayal Upadhyaya KAUSHAL Kendras, for the development of skill sets of the students as per the requirements of the available jobs in the market.

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