

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

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 466  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2017**

**Increase of Seats in Central Universities**

**466. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:**

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

- (a) whether the Central Universities across the country are set to increase their student intake in order to cater to the rising demands and aspiration of people;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Central Universities have been asked to complete the assessment of the needs and preparedness of their institutions in a month;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (e): Central Universities are statutory autonomous institutions governed under the provisions of their Act, Statutes and Ordinances framed thereunder. The statutory bodies of the Central Universities are competent to take decisions in all academic and administrative matters including assessment of their needs to increase the intake capacity in academic courses. However, this Ministry has requested Vice Chancellors of all Central Universities and Chairman, University Grants Commission in the month of August, 2016 to take measures to increase the enrolment of students.

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