GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1165 ANSWERED ON 24.07.2017

VEGETARIAN COURSES IN HOTEL MANAGEMENT

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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a long standing demand from vegetarians to make available opportunities for their children in hotel management courses by giving the option of 'Learning Vegetarian only';
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has been urged to run vegetarian only degree programmes in some hotel management institutes and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has received a number of online petitions in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and the measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (e): The Ministry of Tourism has received requests and representations from various quarters for introduction of 'vegetarian only' optional curriculum in the three years B.Sc. (Hospitality and Hotel Administration) course being run in the Central Institutes of Hotel Management under the administrative control of the Ministry of Tourism.

Introduction of exclusive 'vegetarian only' curriculum in the B.Sc. (Hospitality & Hotel Administration) requires separate infrastructure/equipment. The option of 'vegetarian only' curriculum in the three years B.Sc. (Hospitality and Hotel Administration) course has been introduced from the academic session 2016-17 in three Central Institutes of Hotel Management, at Bhopal, Gandhinagar, and Jaipur. Three more Central IHMs have offered 'Vegetarian only' curriculum in the B.Sc. (Hospitality and Hotel Administration) from academic year 2017-18.
