

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

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2473  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY, 2017**

**Engagement of Consultants**

**2473. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:**  
**DR. RATNA DE (NAG):**  
**SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:**

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has initiated the process to engage consultants in the Ministry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the details of the criteria, academic qualification; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor, and the panel set up, if any in this regard?

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

(a) to (c): Ministry of Human Resource Development has been engaging consultants in accordance with provisions contained in General Financial Rules and Manuals/Guidelines issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance. The academic qualification depends upon the nature of the work for which consultants are engaged.

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