

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 306
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18th DECEMBER 2017
AGRAHAYANA 27, 1939 (SAKA)**

Biannual NEET and JEE.

306. SHRI BHAGWANT MANN:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to conduct medical and engineering admission exams, National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET) and Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) twice a year to reduce pressure on students;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the way students are likely to be benefited by the said pattern?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)**

(a) to (c): The Government has decided to setup a National Testing Agency (NTA) as a Society registered under the Indian Societies Registration Act, 1860, and as an autonomous and self-sustained premier testing organization to conduct all entrance examinations for higher educational institutions. The features for the said examinations are (i) the NTA would initially conduct those entrance examinations which are currently being conducted by the CBSE; (ii) Other examinations will be taken up gradually after NTA is fully geared up; (iii) The entrance examinations will be conducted in online mode at least twice a year, thereby giving adequate opportunity to candidates to bring out their best; and (iv) In order to serve the requirements of the rural students, it would locate the centres at sub-district/district level and as far as possible would undertake hands-on training to the students.
