

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

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 428  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2018**

**Global Initiative of Academic Networks**

**\*428. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched a scheme called Global Initiative of Academic Networks wherein foreign faculty members stay for a while in the country and deliver lectures for an honorarium;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the total number of foreign faculties who have delivered honorarium lectures under the said scheme so far?

**A N S W E R  
MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)**

- (a) to (c):      A statement is laid on the table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 428 FOR 26.03.2018 ASKED BY SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING GLOBAL INITIATIVE OF ACADEMIC NETWORKS.**

(a) & (b): The Government of India launched a scheme named Global Initiative for Academic Network (GIAN) on 30th November 2015 with an objective to garner the best international knowledge & experience into our system of education and enable interaction of students & faculty with the best academic & industry experts from all over the world. Under the GIAN scheme, the foreign faculty and industrial experts are invited to conduct a course of one week (12 to 14 hours) or two week (24 to 28 hours) duration at an Indian academic institution. The upper limit of overall expenditure allowed for each such course is \$8000 for 12-14 hours and \$12000 for 20-28 hours course covering travel and honorarium for the foreign faculty, contingency, video recording, lecture material preparation etc.

(c): As on 22.3.2018, a total of 1067 courses have been conducted under the GIAN scheme, in which 1029 foreign faculties and industry experts have participated.

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