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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1565

TO BE ANSWERED ON 5th March, 2018

Distance Education Sector

1565. SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of irregularities rampant in the distance education sector in the country;
- (b) if so, the action taken thereon; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to establishing a monitoring system to gauge the standards in the distance education sector in the light of allegations levelled against it and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b) & (c): The University Grants Commission (UGC) as a regulator in the field of Open and Distance Learning (ODL) education in higher education system of the country has already notified University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 to maintain the quality and standards in distance education sector in the country.
