

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

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3904
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2018**

Central Tribal University

†3904. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

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

- (a) whether the State Government of Chhattisgarh has again sent a proposal to establish Central Tribal University in Bastar which has been turned down by the Government earlier;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for turning down such proposal;
- (c) whether the State Government has proposed/requested to set up a special study campus for tribals of Bastar of Central Tribal University located in adjoining Amarkuntak district of Chhattisgarh; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) At present there is no proposal under consideration to establish a new Central Tribal University in Bastar in Chhattisgarh. A proposal was received from the State Government of Chhattisgarh to set up a regional study centre of Indira Gandhi National Tribal University in Bastar. However, it was decided that the University should first stabilize its operations at its main campus before any expansion is considered. As per 12th Plan (2012-17) as approved by National Development Council (NDC), the thrust is on consolidation of the higher education system. Expansion would be mainly done by scaling up capacity of the existing institutions in place of setting up new institutions. Besides, the Central Government has launched Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) on cost sharing basis to assist States to upgrade existing institutions to Universities provided they are eligible as per norms.
