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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1854 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.07.2018

Conduction of Ceremony

†1854. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

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

(a) whether the Government is aware that the students do not receive their degrees on time because of non-conduction of convocation ceremony by the universities in the country every year;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take some steps to enable students to get their degrees on time; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be done and if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a) to (c): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that it has notified full-fledged regulations entitled UGC (Grant of Degrees and other award by Universities) Regulations, 2008, clause 4.4 of which mandates that:

"The Degree award date/s shall be within 180 days of the date/s by which the students are expected to qualify and become eligible for them"

Further, UGC has also, time and again, written to institutions of higher education in the country about the rights and entitlements of students. The aforesaid regulations are available at <u>https://www.ugc.ac.in/oldpdf/regulations/regulation_awarddegree.pdf</u>
