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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1927 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.07.2018

### **Cyber Security**

1927. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to introduce specialisation courses in Artificial intelligence and Cyber Security in the national universities in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b) The Task Force on National Security System constituted on the direction of the Cabinet Committee on Security, has recommended that UGC and AICTE would ensure that Cyber Security / Information Security is introduced as a subject in the Universities / Technical Institutions at the under-graduate and post-graduate levels. UGC has requested the Vice Chancellors of all universities vide its letter dated 16.01.2013 to take appropriate action in this regard. The letter No. 14-7/2009(CPP-II) dated 16.01.2013 is available on UGC website: <a href="https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/7493274">https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/7493274</a> Introduction-of-Cyber-Security.pdf. AICTE Model Curriculum for UG Level Engineering Courses launched on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 has been designed and framed by leading experts from IITs and industries to give boost to take up subjects such as in new emerging areas of artificial intelligence and cyber law and ethics and artificial intelligences open elective leading to honours degree. The curriculum will be implemented by different universities by the academic year 2018-19. Impact will be assessed afterwards. Further, all the Universities have been requested to revise their syllabus in line with the AICTE Model Curriculum which is also available on their website.

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