

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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2993
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2018

Portrait of Mohammed Ali Jinnah

2993. SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR:

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

(a) whether the Government has received requests from public representatives to remove the portrait of Mohammed Ali Jinnah installed in Aligarh Muslim University Students Union Office, the nodal authority to take final decision;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) if not, whether the Government on its own initiative propose to take any action because of portrait which is hurting the feelings of Indians and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government also proposes to withdraw the life membership of Jinnah from Students Union?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)

(a) & (b): Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) has informed that a letter was received by them from an Hon'ble Member of Parliament on the issue of the portrait of Mohammed Ali Jinnah in AMU Student Union Office. The University has further informed that the Student Union has been dissolved and any decision on the issue can only be taken by the new elected Students Union when formed.

(c) & (d): Do not arise, as of now, in view of above.
