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

### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3199 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2018

#### **Transparency in Grants**

#### †3199. SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA: SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any irregularities in providing grants to educational institutions in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the method being adopted by the Government to ensure transparency and efficiency in the process of proceeding grants to educational institutions?

#### **ANSWER**

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

- (a): No, Madam.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): As far as method of releasing the Grants-in Aid to the educational institutions is concerned, Ministry is committed to bring transparency and efficiency in the procedure for the releasing the grants to the institutions. For this Ministry follows the due directions/guidelines prescribed by the Ministry of Finance for the smooth functioning in the financial matters. Grants are released to the institutions after following the due procedure, subject to meeting the accountability and transparency standards. Further, a transparent and effective system Public Financial Management System (PFMS) which is a web-based online software application developed and implemented by the Office of Controller General of Accounts (CGA), is used to process the financial sanctions with the objective to facilitate sound Public Financial Management System for Government of India (GoI) by establishing an efficient fund flow system as well as a payment cum accounting network. It provides various stakeholders with a real time, reliable and meaningful management information system and an effective decision support system, as part of the Digital India initiative of GoI. Now, it is mandatory for all Implementing Agencies to use Expenditure, Advance & Transfer (EAT) module of PFMS for transactions relating to fund received from Government of India.

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