

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.†2192
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.12.2018

Higher Education Institutions

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

- (a) whether the number of higher education institutions have increased in the country even then the number of such institution is quiet insufficient in comparison to the population of the country;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to establish more educational institutions in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there is any proposal of the Government to provide tertiary degree to its citizens by 2020; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a): The Government has always been committed towards providing adequate Higher Educational Infrastructure for the country. According to the AISHE Report, 2017-18, the number of Universities/Institutions have increased from 760 in 2014-15 to 903 in 2017-18 i.e. an increase of 18.8%. Similarly, the number of Colleges have increased from 38498 in 2014-15 to 39050 in 2017-18 i.e. an increase of 1.4%.

The GER has also increased from 19.4% during 2010-11 to 25.8% during 2017-18 i.e. an increase of 33%.

(b) & (c): Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA), central support is provided for setting up of Universities either through upgradation of autonomous colleges or through clustering of colleges. RUSA also provides support for creation of Model Degree Colleges (general) and New Colleges (Professional). As on date, the Project Approval Board (PAB) of RUSA has approved central support for creation of 11 Universities through upgradation of autonomous colleges, 8 Universities through clustering of colleges, 130 Model Degree Colleges (General) and 37 New Colleges (Professional).

(d) & (e): At present, there is no proposal to provide tertiary degrees to citizens of India.
