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

#### LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3204 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018

### UNIVERSITY STATUS TO INSTITUTIONS

3204. SHRI KONAKALLA NARAYANA RAO:

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

- (a) Whether the Government is planning to accord Central University status to Sanskrit Institutions which are called as deemed universities in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) 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): Yes, Madam.
- (b) & (c): Based on the persistent demand from the Sanskrit scholars, academia persuading the Sanskrit Education, MHRD has initiated a proposal to convert the 3 Deemed to be Universities i.e. Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, New Delhi and Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, Tirupati into Central Universities to make them a seat of Sanskrit learning of national and international repute. A Cabinet Note has, accordingly, been prepared and circulated to obtain comments on the proposal.