

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4308
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.01.2019**

Leakage of Papers

†4308. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

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

- (a) whether cancellation of various examination due to question paper leak puts pressure on the whole system and causes mental harassment and financial burden on candidates which adversely affects their preparation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to consider the alternative of holding the examination in time by cancelling only that set of question paper which has got leaked instead of cancelling whole examination all together under National Testing Agency (NTA); and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Cancellation of any examination due to question paper leak puts pressure on the system. Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has reported that examination of Economics in Class XII had to be cancelled in 2018 due to leakage of question paper, and re-examination was held on the earliest available date. No financial burden was put on the candidates for re-examination. National Testing Agency (NTA) has informed that no instance of cancellation of exam due to leakage of question paper has occurred so far. However, the test will be re-conducted only in the paper in which the question paper leak is established.
