

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.2295  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.07.2019

**Seats in Higher Educational Institutions**

2295. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

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

- (a) whether the Government is proposing to increase the number of seats in the higher educational institutions in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has prepared a master plan for this purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

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(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution (One Hundred and Third Amendment) Act 2019, the Ministry of Human Resource Development has issued instructions for providing 10% reservation in admissions to the Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) in the Central Educational Institutions. An amount of Rs. 4315.15 Crores has been sanctioned for creation of additional 2,14,766 seats (1,18,983 additional seats during 2019-20 and 95,783 additional seats during 2020-21) in 158 Central Educational Institutions. These funds would be made available in two years 2019-20 and 2020-21.

(c) & (d): Instructions have been issued to the institutions for increasing the total number of seats, over a period of two years, to provide for 10% EWS reservation, without adversely affecting the proportionate seats of Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Class categories.

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