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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2365 TO BE ANSWERED ON 8th JULY, 2019

University in Maharashtra

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:(a) whether the Government proposes to set up any university or educational institution in Palgher of Maharashtra; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

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

(a) to (b) : Education being in the Concurrent List, creation of new institutions is the responsibility of both Central and State Government. However, recognising the need for central support for achieving the aims of access, equity and excellence by strategically funding the State higher education system a Centrally Sponsored Scheme Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) is being implemented.

RUSA follows a bottom-up approach wherein States and Institutions submit proposals as per their recognised needs in the higher education sector. These proposals are submitted on the Challenge Level Funding (CLF) portal and these are evaluated on certain parameters based on predetermined qualification criteria and weighted scoring. In view of the above, no proposal for creation of University or educational institution in Palgher of Maharashtra has been approved under RUSA. However, under RUSA, the State of Maharashtra has been approved a total amount of Rs. 790 Crores under various components such as Enhancing Quality and Excellence in select Universities, Infrastructure Grants to Colleges and Universities, Research and Innovation, Faculty Improvement, Creation of new Universities by clustering of colleges or upgradation of autonomous colleges etc.