

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

**LOK SABHA**  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 320  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2019

**Pending Higher Education Projects**

320. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

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

- (a) whether any new projects for professional and higher education is pending before the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise including Kerala;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to implement new education policy; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Education being in the Concurrent List, the creation of new institutions is the responsibility of both Central and State governments.

Under the Centrally Sponsored scheme, Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA), inter alia, central assistance is provided for setting up of New College (Professional & Technical) and Model Degree Colleges. Approval for central assistance under the scheme is dependent upon the submission of the State Higher Educational Plan (SHEP) by the States/Union Territories (UTs) and the subsequent appraisal by the Project Approval Board (PAB) of RUSA. Till date, central support for setting up of 37 New Professional colleges and 130 Model Degree Colleges (including one in Kerala) has been approved under RUSA. At present no proposal from States/UTs including Kerala under the above components of New Professional College and Model Degree College is pending under RUSA for approval of PAB.

(c) & (d): The Committee under the Chairpersonship of Dr. K. Kasturirangan has submitted draft New Education Policy (NEP), 2019 to the Ministry on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2019. The draft NEP 2019 has been placed in public domain at [https://mhrd.gov.in/sites/upload\\_files/mhrd/files/Draft\\_NEP\\_2019\\_EN\\_Revised.pdf](https://mhrd.gov.in/sites/upload_files/mhrd/files/Draft_NEP_2019_EN_Revised.pdf) for suggestions/comments of various stakeholders.

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