

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 400  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.06.2019**

**No Indian University**

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

- (a) whether name of no Indian University has been included in the top 500 universities of the world and if so, the details thereof along with reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the deteriorating standard of Indian Institutions in Times World Higher Education Universities ranking, 2019 and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has analysed this deteriorating standard and tried to know the reasons in this regard and if so, the details of the outcome thereof;
- (d) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to improve the ranking standards of Indian Institutes and to bring them at par with global standards; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**Minister of Human Resource Development  
(Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank')**

- (a) to (e): The number of Indian Higher Education Institutions amongst first 500 in Times Higher Education World University Rankings have increased from 2 institutions in 2018 to 5 institutions in 2019.

National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) was launched by Ministry of Human Resource Development in September 2015. The framework is being used for ranking of institutions of higher education in India from 2016 onwards (called India Rankings). The primary purpose of India Rankings is to galvanize Indian Institutions towards a competitive environment amongst the institutions to perform better. The key parameters used in India Rankings would help institutions to work sincerely towards improving their ranking amongst institutions of the world.

The Government is implementing schemes like Impacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT) India, Uchhatar Avishkar Yojana (UAY) and Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) etc. to improve the rankings of Indian Higher Education Institutions.

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