

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 408
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.06.2019**

Policy for Enrollment of Students in Central Universities

†408. **SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:**

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

- (a) whether any clean policy has been formulated or proposed to be formulated to amend the enrollment process keeping in view the rising mental pressure among students due to enrollment of students on the basis of merit in Central Universities located in different parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, along with the session during which it is likely to be implemented, University-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): No such decision has been taken so far. However, University Grants Commission (UGC) vide its letter dated 09th March, 2018 issued instructions to create the Students Counselling Centre and guidelines to all Universities that all the Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) should mandatorily put in place a “Students Counselling System” for the effective redressal of problems and challenges faced by students. It should be a unique, interactive and target-oriented system, involving students, teachers and parents to address common student concerns ranging from anxiety, stress, fear of change and failure to homesickness and a slew of other academic worries. It should bridge formal as well as communicative gaps between the students and the institution at large. Teacher counsellors, trained to act as the guardians of students at the college level, should remain in close touch with the students allotted to them throughout the year, cater to their emotional and intellectual needs and guide them to move up in their career at regular interval of time. Teacher counsellors can coordinate with wardens of hostels and exchange pre-emptive or corrective action.
