

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No- 1980**  
ANSWERED ON- 19/12/2022

**HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION OF INDIA**

1980. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Higher Education Commission of India (HECI) was envisioned in National Education Policy (NEP), 2020;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to bring a legislation in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said legislation is likely to be introduced; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (e): The National Education Policy (NEP), 2020 envisions setting up of a Higher Education Commission of India as an umbrella body with four independent verticals to perform distinct functions of regulation, accreditation, funding, and academic standard setting. Accordingly, the Ministry is in the process of drafting a Bill for establishment of the Higher Education Commission of India.

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