

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 48
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2023

Non-Registration of IGNOU – New Delhi and Regional Centres on National Scholarship Portal

*48. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) – New Delhi, Regional Centre, Cochin and their private regional Centres are not registered on the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) till date due to which a large number of students cannot apply for the post-metric scholarship, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the MBA courses are only provided in Cochin centre but Kasaragod and Kottayam Centres are not providing the above said course due to which many students lose out which is also against Articles 14 & 21A of the Indian Constitution, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the IGNOU website for exam registration does not include the nationalised banks e.g. State Bank of India in net banking, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor as most of the students do not have ICICI and HDFC Bank and Credit Card facilities?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION
(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *48 RAISED BY SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN
HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2023
REGARDING "NON-REGISTRATION OF IGNOU – NEW DELHI AND REGIONAL
CENTRES ON NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PORTAL".**

- (a) The Indira Gandhi National Open University is registered on the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) vide the AISHE university registration code – U-0104. Under this registration 57 Regional Centres in the country, including RC Cochin gets access to the National Scholarship Portal for verification of records of applicants residing within their jurisdiction for availing the benefit of scholarship under NSP. Registration is not done for Regional Centres separately.
- (b) The MBA Programme of IGNOU is provided at 4 Study Centres under Regional Centre Cochin, 4 Study Centres under Regional Centre Trivandrum and 2 Study Centres under Regional Centre Vatakara in the State of Kerala. In the districts of Kottayam and Kasaragod, MBA programmes are not activated. As and when the proposals are received for activating study programmes including MBA they are examined as per Rules and Regulations.
- (c) IGNOU Website for examination registration provides facility for payment to all account holders having credit and debit cards in all nationalized/scheduled banks including State Bank of India.
