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IMPLEMENTATION OF RUSA

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to implement the Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA);
- (b) the details of budget allocated under RUSA to implement the objective of allotting of new infrastructure for Universities in the country;
- (c) whether the RUSA considers opening of new employment opportunities for the youth of the nation and the research scholars under RUSA;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and also the focus on any new areas of research therein;
- (e) whether the RUSA take into account the improvement of higher education for non-vocational courses as well; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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(a): Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme aimed at funding new institutions and specific State government universities and colleges, so as to improve their quality by ensuring their conformity to prescribed norms and standards. All States/ UTs (except Lakshadweep) had submitted willingness to participate in RUSA and all these States/ UTs have been approved support under the scheme.

(b): Under RUSA, in various States/ UTs, 157 Universities have been approved central support for an amount of Rs. 1959.02 Crores under the component of 'Infrastructure Grants to Universities'.

(c) to (f): Education being in the Concurrent List, enhancing the quality of education and research is the responsibility of both the Central and State Governments. However, recognizing the need for central assistance, the Central Government has implemented various schemes including RUSA for supporting State Governments. Under RUSA, funds are provided to the States/ UTs under various components such as 'Enhancing Quality and Excellence in select State Universities', 'Infrastructure Grants to Universities', 'Infrastructure Grants to Colleges', etc. for improvement in higher education. Under the scheme, States/ UTs have the flexibility to utilize funds for supporting opening of new courses as per their requirements. The State-wise details of total amount approved, under various components is available at https://www.education.gov.in/sites/upload_files/mhrd/files/upload_document/Funds_under_RUSA.pdf
