

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1914
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13/03/2023

ESTABLISHMENT OF UNIVERSITY IN AP

1914. DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:

DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:

SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:

SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to establish a University on the lines of National School of Architecture, Delhi in other States including Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government is aware about the increasing opportunities for architects and city planners in India and abroad;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/ being taken by the Government to ensure development of human resource in this field?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) : As per Budget announcement 2018-2019, it was proposed to set up 02 new full-fledged Schools of Planning and Architecture (SPA) in the Country to be selected on challenge mode. Additionally, 18 new Departments of Architecture and Planning in well established IITs / NITs, also in challenge mode.

(b): Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, due to extraordinary financial situation arisen by COVID-19 pandemic, advised not to consider the said proposal in the financial year 2020-21 but may consider the same, in any future financial year, after re-assessing the continued relevance and prioritization within the limited resources available for Higher Education. A Committee under AICTE's Chairman was also constituted to reassess the proposal.

(c) to (e): Under the National Education Policy 2020, many educational reforms are being undertaken, especially with respect to Multidisciplinarity in Education. Budget of 2022-23 has announced setting up of 5 new Centres of Excellence, in existing academic institutions of different regions, for developing India specific knowledge in urban planning and design and to deliver certified training in these areas. Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs is spearheading this project.
