GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4326

ANSWERED ON 27/03/2023

Accreditation with NAAC

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether top universities and institutions of higher education have applied for accreditation with National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC);
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the action taken by NAAC thereon;
- (c) whether any proposal for expansion and strengthening of NAAC is under consideration of the Government to deal with the increasing number of applications for accreditation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) has been established as an Inter University Centre (IUC) of the University Grants Commission (UGC), under the provisions of The UGC Act, 1956. NAAC assesses and accredits Higher Educational Institutions, who come forward for the Assessment and Accreditation process. The UGC has informed that there are 266 Universities and 3977 Colleges accredited by NAAC having valid accreditation. The State-wise lists of Universities and Colleges are available at https://www.ugc.gov.in/pdfnews/6896258 State-wise-list-of-Universities-accredited-by-NAAC.pdf and https://www.ugc.gov.in/pdfnews/0646280 State-wise-list-of-colleges-accredited-by-NAAC.pdf respectively.
- (c) & (d): To perform the function of accreditation, the National Education Policy (NEP), 2020 envisions a 'meta-accrediting body', called the National Accreditation Council (NAC) to be set up as an independent vertical within the umbrella institution, the Higher Education Commission of India (HECI). The NEP, 2020 further envisions that accreditation of institutions will be based primarily on basic norms, public self-disclosure, good governance, and outcomes and it will be carried out by an independent ecosystem of accrediting institutions supervised and overseen by NAC.
