GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-522

ANSWERED ON- 24/07/2023

Universities/Colleges/HEIs Accredited by NAAC

522. SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

SHRI RANJEETSINGH NAIK NIMBALKAR:

SHRI ARUN SAO:

SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:

SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of total number of Universities/colleges/Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) operating in the country vis-a-vis the Universities, Colleges/HEIs having National Assessment & Accreditation Council (NAAC) recognition, State/Union Territories-wise including North East, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra:
- (b) the details of the colleges and Universities who have received opportunities to make site visits for NAAC assessment;
- (c) whether the accreditation of NAAC and UGC is not mandatory for the Universities /HEIs operating in the country and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to improve the quality of education and bring more transparency in the system;
- (e) whether it is a fact that NAAC's entire process of assessment and accreditation is robust, ICT driven and automated;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) whether the Government is considering more transparent, accountable, objective, method driven system for improvement in the present Accreditation and Ranking system of the country and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): As informed by University Grants Commission (UGC), the details of total number of Universities/Colleges/Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) operating in the country accredited by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) is available at https://www.ugc.gov.in/pdfnews/LSPQ%20No%20522 Annexure-1-2.pdf.
- (c): UGC has further informed that the accreditation by NAAC is mandatory as per UGC (Mandatory Assessment and Accreditation of Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2012.
- (d) to (g): NAAC's entire process of assessment and accreditation is robust, ICT driven and automated. Details of process are available at http://naac.gov.in/images/docs/Flowcharts-of-A-and-A-process.pdf.

For strengthening the Assessment and Accreditation (A&A) of HEIs, the Government of India has constituted a High Level Committee, under the Chairmanship of Dr. K. Radhakrishnan, Chairperson, Board of Governors, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur & Chairperson, Standing Committee of IIT Council. This Committee has considered the introduction of strategic reforms consistent with the vision of the National Education Policy, 2020 and the need for adopting a simple, trust-based, objective and rationalized system for approval, accreditation and ranking of Higher Educational Institutions with a verifiable and secured centralized database through technology-driven modern systems.
