

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-212**  
ANSWERED ON-04/12/2023

**SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN UNIVERSITIES**

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the All India Survey of Higher Education (AISHE) has revealed that there has been a significant increase in the number of Universities and Colleges during the last five years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the biggest share in the increase is that of State, private and public Universities; and
- (d) whether it is a fact that among colleges too, majority of them are private?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) & (b) As per All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE), the number of Higher Education Institutions (i.e. Universities, Colleges and Standalone institutions) registered in AISHE have increased to 58,643 in 2021-22 (Provisional), from 49,964 in 2017-18, which is an increase of 17.4%.

(c) The number of State Public Universities registered under AISHE has increased to 445 in 2021-22 (Provisional) from 370 in 2017-18. Likewise, the number of State Private Universities have increased to 392 in 2021-22 (Provisional) from 263 in 2017-18. The number of Universities/ University level institutions under Central Government have also increased from 180 in 2017-18 to 240 in 2021-22. Also, of the total University/University level institutions registered under AISHE, around 59% belong to Government.

(d) As per the responses of Colleges received in AISHE 2021-22, 21.5% are Government Colleges, 13.2% are Private (Government aided) and 65.3% are Private (unaided).

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