

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY

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Shagun Portal/Sale of Fake Degrees

2361. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing the Shagun portal in a bid to enhance the accessibility of information relating to schools and to ensure a holistic approach to transform the education sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof with special reference to Balurghat of West Bengal;

(c) whether the Government proposes to constitute a high-level committee to enquire into the allegations regarding sale of fake degrees by certain private universities in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, including the other steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a)&(b) The Department of School Education and Literacy's website provides content on the functioning of the school ecosystem wherein the Shagun portal is the digital repository of best practices in school education. This is a rich repository of good practices that focuses on positive stories, developments and innovations initiated across all States and UTs that are driving performance improvements in the area of School Education. These innovative practices are documented in the form of case studies, videos, testimonials and images. These contents are easily searchable by State, Union Territory or by Samagra Shiksha components that they fall under. The link of the portal is <https://repository.education.gov.in>.

(c)&(d) The matter mentioned does not have any specificity. However, UGC disseminates information, via multiple channels including website, to protect ones' interest with respect to fake degrees by certain private universities.
