GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.11.2019

Quality of Education

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any guidelines or made rules to assess the quality of education being imparted in the deemed universities of the country;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
(d) the details of the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the quality of education of these universities particularly in respect of the infrastructure, faculty and research facilities?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL ‘nishank’)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. The University Grants Commission (UGC) has notified the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2019 to regulate the Deemed to be Universities in the country. In order to assess and improve the quality of higher education in Deemed to be Universities, UGC conducts annual monitoring of the performance and academic outcomes of these Institutions on the following performance parameters:

i. Graduate outcomes
ii. Linkage of the students with the society/industry
iii. Training of the students in essential professional skills such as team-work, communication skills, leadership skills, time management skills, soft skills, etc.
iv. The teacher student ratio shall not be less than 1:20
v. Induction programmes for students
vi. To adopt learning outcome based curriculum framework
vii. Use ICT based learning tools for effective teaching learning processes
viii. To adopt CBCS and academic flexibility for interdisciplinary learning
ix. Examination reforms to ensure that the student assessment is based on understanding of concepts
x. To ensure that at least half of the students passing out appear for examinations such as GATE/JAM/UGC-NET
xi. Tracking of the student progress after completion of course
xii. Ensure induction and refresher programmes for teachers
xiii. Compulsory participation in NIRF rankings
xiv. Effective implementation of measures for quality improvement as per the quality mandate of UGC.

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