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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2145
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Ranking of Education Institutions

2145.   SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

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

(a)   whether the Government has any plan to setting up a specialized body IRS (Indian Ranking Society) to rank Indian education institutions and if so, the details thereof;

(b)   the details of the composition of the body;

(c)   the procedure for the ranking system and its benefit for the Indian educational system;

(d)   whether the Government proposes to give graded autonomy to selected higher educational institutions to promote research & innovation in their campuses so that to enter in the global institutional ranking and if so, the details thereof; and

(e)   the list of such higher educational institutions selected to leap forward in transforming educational sector?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

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(a) & (b): The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) Executive Committee in its 127th meeting held on 21.08.2019 accorded approval for the creation of independent society in the name and style of "India Rankings Society (IRS)" with an objective to develop and evolve methodologies and systems for ranking of higher educational institutions and based on such methodologies, rank and rate them under various categories, domain and sub-domains.

(c): Presently, National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) is being used for ranking of institutes on five broad generic groups of parameters namely:

    i) Teaching, Learning and Resources

    ii) Research and Professional Practice

    iii) Graduation Outcomes

    iv) Outreach and Inclusivity

    v) Perception

The India Rankings, 2019 ranked Indian Higher Educational Institutions into nine categories namely University, Engineering, College, Management, Pharmacy, Law, Architecture, Medical and Overall. Rankings help create an environment of excellence.

(d) & (e): There already exists a mechanism for grant of graded autonomy vide University Grants Commission [categorisation of universities (only) for grant of graded autonomy] Regulation, 2018 dated 12.02.2018 which is available on UGC website at   https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/1435338_182728.pdf.

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