GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No.3332 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2019

Pre-March 2018 Quota Framework

3332. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

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

- (a) the details of pre-March 2018 quota framework;
- (b) the percentage of reservation for OBCs being implemented at the direct entry level faculty position in Universities;
- (c) whether it is true that the Law Ministry has recommended to strictly implement 27 per cent reservation for OBCs at all direct entry level faculty positions in Universities; and
- (d) if so, the manner in which the Government is planning to take this issue forward since recruitment was stopped since March, 2018?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

- (a) & (b): 15% and 7.5% reservation was provided to the Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) respectively in the direct recruitment of faculty and 27% to the Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in direct entry level faculty positions in Universities. The reservation rosters for the same were prepared by considering a University as a 'Unit', according to the provisions of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Guidelines of 2006.
- (c) & (d): The Hon'ble Allahabad High Court in its judgement to W. P. No. 43260 of 2016 dated 07.04.2017 directed that the reservation roster should be prepared by considering the Department as a Unit instead of University as a 'Unit'. The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Teachers Cadre) Ordinance, 2019 was promulgated on 07.03.2019, to restore the University as a Unit, which was subsequently repealed and the Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Teachers' Cadre) Act, 2019 was notified on 09.07.2019. Under the provisions of this Act, 27% reservation is specified for SEBCs in direct recruitment of faculty. Instructions have already been issued to all Universities vide UGC letter dated 04.06.2019 to actively fill all vacancies.
