

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 80  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.11.2019**

**Ranking**

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

- (a) whether on the one hand, the Government is trying to take universities and higher institutions to the world class level and on the other hand, their ranking is going down;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any special step to improve their ranking;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT**

**(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')**

(a) : The total number of Indian Universities/ Institutes entered in Times Higher Education World University Rankings have consistently increased from 42 institutions in 2018 to 56 institutions in 2020. Further, three Indian institutions, namely Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay (IITB), Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi (IITD) and Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore (IISc) have been ranked at 152, 182 and 184 position respectively in the QS World University rankings 2020.

(b) to (d): Government of India is committed to ensuring that our higher education institutions achieve the highest levels of global excellence in teaching and research. Some of the initiatives taken in this direction are given as under:

- (i) Institutions of Eminence scheme (IoEs) wherein 18 Institutes (10 public and 8 private) have been declared as IoEs. These IoEs are eligible for a grant upto Rs 1000 crore.
- (ii) Impacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT)
- (iii) Uchhatar Avishkar Yojana (UAY)
- (iv) Impactful Policy Research in Social Science (IMPRESS)
- (v) Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Excellence (SPARC)
- (vi) Global Initiative for Academic Networks (GIAN)
- (vii) Scheme for Trans-disciplinary Research for India's Developing Economy (STRIDE)
- (viii) Scheme for Translational and Advanced Research in Science (STARS)

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