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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 70 TO BE ANSWERED ON 3rd FEBRUARY, 2020

EQUIP Programme

70. SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:

SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has finalized and released a five-year vision plan named Education Quality Upgradation and Inclusion Programme (EQUIP) recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to increase the employability in Higher Education Sector through this programme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The Government has received recommendations of 10 Experts Groups under Education Quality Upgradation and Inclusion Programme (EQUIP). The recommendations were circulated to State Governments and other related departments of Government of India for suggestions and comments. The recommendations include increasing employability through various initiatives such as Vocational curriculum reforms, Internship platforms, creation of skills centres of excellence, infrastructural assistance to B.Voc institutions, counseling centres, etc. A final decision on the recommendations contained in EQUIP is under consideration.
