GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No.4180 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.03.2021

Dual degree

4180. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indians students will now be able to get dual degrees conferred by Indian and foreign higher education institutions separately and simultaneously;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the dual degree provision will be applicable for online and distance learning programmes too; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) to (d): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that it has recently prepared draft University Grants Commission (Academic Collaboration between Indian and Foreign Higher Education Institutions to offer Joint Degree, Dual Degree and Twinning Programmes) Regulations, 2021. These regulations deal with the issue of dual degrees to be offered by Indian HEIs in collaboration with foreign HEIs.

UGC has further informed that the draft Regulations shall not be applicable to Programmes offered in online mode and open and distance learning mode.
