

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. \*189  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2021

**Standardisation of Online Education**

\*189. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) has released any recommendations on the standardisation of online education taking into account that classes in many educational establishments have moved online;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether measures have been taken to change assessment and evaluation practices in a uniform manner across the country due to a change in class nature and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government plans to formulate long term digital education strategy for Secondary Education also?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF EDUCATION**  
**(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

Part (a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. \*189 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2021 ASKED BY SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING "STANDARDISATION OF ONLINE EDUCATION".**

(a) to (b): Yes Sir, the UGC has notified University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 on 04<sup>th</sup> September, 2020, which can be accessed on <https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/221580.pdf>. Subsequently, an amendment was notified on 1st July, 2021 in the Gazette which is available on UGC website at link [https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/6852408\\_UGC\(ODL-Programmes-and-Online-Programmes\)\(Amendment\)Regulations,-2021.pdf](https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/6852408_UGC(ODL-Programmes-and-Online-Programmes)(Amendment)Regulations,-2021.pdf)

(c): Yes Sir, the UGC has issued guidelines on Examinations and Academic Calendar July-2021, in view of emergence and prevalence of online education, in order to tackle Covid-19 Pandemic. This can be accessed on [https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/3342282\\_UGC-Guidelines-on-Examinations-and-Academic-Calendar---July-2021.pdf](https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/3342282_UGC-Guidelines-on-Examinations-and-Academic-Calendar---July-2021.pdf)

(d): The long-term Digital Education Strategy for Secondary Education is included in the National Education Policy 2020.

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