GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1059 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2021

Independent Commission for Higher Education

1059. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to establish an independent commission for higher education with the independent academies including foreign academies for all Eighth Schedule Languages;
- (b) if so, the details thereof with the details of its formation;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any time-frame for the said purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Education has announced the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 on 29.07.2020 after obtaining approval of Cabinet. The NEP-2020 envisions setting up of a Higher Education Commission of India as an umbrella body with four independent verticals to perform distinct functions of regulation, accreditation, funding, and academic standard setting. Accordingly, the Ministry is in the process of drafting a Bill for establishment of the Higher Education Commission of India.
