

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 725
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2022**

Gross Enrolment Ratio in Rajasthan

†725. **SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:**

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the figures of gross enrolment ratio in Rajasthan in the report of All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is also aware that the above said figure is less than the national average of 27.1 per cent and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that the student-teacher ratio is poor in Rajasthan and more than 50 per cent posts of teacher are lying vacant in the higher educational institutions and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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(a) to (c) As per All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2019-20, the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) of Rajasthan was 24.1, against the national average of 27.1.

In Rajasthan, premier institutions such as Central University, IIIT, NIT and IIT have been established by the Government. Further, in order to increase the enrolment in higher educational institutions, various measures have been taken by Government which include issuing of new UGC regulation for Open and Distance Learning that allows entry of reputed institutions to offer education on the distance mode, using ICT mode through - SWAYAM portal to reach out of people and allow them to secure good quality education, encouraging expansion of education by State Governments through the Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA), more scholarship programmes to supplement the cost of education, etc.

(d) & (e) As per the AISHE 2019-20 Pupil Teacher Ratio of Rajasthan is 34.

Recruitment of faculty is a continuous exercise and the vacancies keep arising due to retirement, resignation and additional requirements on account of enhanced students' strength. As far as Higher Education Institutions under the Union Government are concerned, it has been decided to fill up the vacant faculty positions in a mission mode w.e.f. 5th September 2021.
