GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Infrastructure and Academic Facilities in North Eastern Universities

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to improve infrastructure and academic facilities in North-Eastern Universities for giving them more academic autonomy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds sanctioned and allocated for the purpose.
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposals from Universities in North-Eastern region for the improvement of colleges and campus facilities during the last three years;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken/likely to be taken by the Government thereon?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) to (e): Education being in the Concurrent List, creation of new institutions and enhancing the quality of education are the responsibilities of both the Central and State Governments. However, recognizing the need for central assistance, the Central Government has implemented various schemes for supporting State Governments such as the centrally sponsored scheme of Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan(RUSA).

States are supported under various components of RUSA. As regards to Universities, in the North-Eastern Region, 2 Universities in Assam have been approved to support under the component of Infrastructure Grants to University (IGU) in the last three years (2018-19 to 2020-21) with an approved fund of Rs. 40 Crores. As regards to colleges, State-wise details of number of colleges approved under the component of Infrastructure Grants to Colleges (IGC) in North-Eastern States in the last three years (2018-19 to 2020-21) are as below:

Name of State	Number of Units	Total fund approved
	supported under IGC	(Rs. in Crores)
Arunachal	4	8.00
Pradesh		
Assam	117	234.00
Manipur	10	20.00
Meghalaya	12	24.00
Mizoram	15	30.00
Nagaland	5	10.00
Sikkim	6	12.00
Tripura	7	14.00
Total	176	352.00
