

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3006
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2025

GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE IN STATES AND STATE PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

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SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:
SMT. ROOPKUMARI CHOUDHARY:
SHRI BIBHU PRASAD TARAI:
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SHRI MITESH PATEL BAKABHAI:
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the measures taken by the Government to improve governance structures in State Public Universities (SPUs) particularly in terms of autonomy, leadership capacity building, and transparency in decision-making, State-wise particularly in Chhattisgarh;
- (b) the manner in which the Government plans to promote internships, apprenticeships, and skill-based learning in SPU to align with the evolving job market, State-wise particularly in Chhattisgarh; and
- (c) whether the Government has any plans to introduce innovative financing models such as public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) or performance-based funding for State Public Universities and if so, the details thereof, State-wise particularly in Chhattisgarh?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) to (c): NITI Aayog report on 'Expanding Quality Higher Education through States and State Public Universities' was released in February 2025. The report focuses on improving governance structures through capacity building of leadership and enhanced autonomy, boosting employability through internships and apprenticeships, and augmenting institutional and systemic funding and financing capacity through innovative financing

models, such as PPPs. The report is recommendatory in nature and suggests various policy changes at the State Government and State Public University levels for all states, including Chhattisgarh. State Public Universities are primarily the responsibility of State Governments. As for the Central Government, various Central Government programmes and schemes such as the Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Programme (MMTTP), PM-Internship Scheme, National Apprenticeship Training Scheme, Pradhan Mantri Vidyalaxmi (PM-Vidyalaxmi), and Pradhan Mantri Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (PM-USHA) are available to State Public Universities, including those in Chhattisgarh. The Viability Gap Funding (VGF) scheme of the Ministry of Finance, Government of India, is applicable in PPP mode to Central Ministries, State Governments, and Statutory Authorities, including those from the Higher Education sector, as the case may be.
