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Establishment of Offshore Campus of Johns Hopkins University

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any discussions were held between Government and delegation of Johns Hopkins University (JHU), USA regarding establishment of an offshore Campus in India and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure that Indian students will be benefitted from such collaborations with JHU, particularly in areas like dual and joint degree programmes, faculty exchange and research partnerships; and
- (c) the time by which the JHU offshore campus is likely to be established in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (c): The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP) was framed and approved by the Government of India to transform and improve the quality of education in the country. One of the key aspects of NEP 2020 is “Internationalisation of Education”, which aims to promote and share best academic & research practices through interactions among diverse education systems.

In alignment with the vision of NEP 2020, Ministry of Education has initiated several measures for the internationalization of the higher education system in India which include:

- University Grant Commission has issued “UGC (Academic Collaboration between Indian and Foreign Higher Educational Institutions to offer Twinning, Joint Degree and Dual Degree Programmes) Regulations, 2022”. These regulations aim to promote enhanced

academic collaboration with foreign higher educational institutions leading towards academic and research excellence in the Indian higher educational institutions

- Further, “University Grants Commission (Setting up and Operation of Campuses of Foreign Higher Educational Institutions in India) Regulations, 2023” was issued to facilitate the establishment of branch campuses of Foreign Higher Educational Institutions (FHEIs) in India.

A delegation led by President, Johns Hopkins University (JHU), Baltimore, Maryland, USA met the various functionaries of Ministry of Education & Ministry of External Affairs in New Delhi on 17 November, 2024. Deliberations were held to strengthen academic and research collaborations between JHU and premier Indian Higher Education Institutions.
