GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Online Education

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any cases of fake degrees being given online;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;
- (c) the action taken by the Government against the culprits of such cases, State-wise;
- (d) whether the involvement of universities has also been found in these cases;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Government proposes to cancel the recognition of such universities;
- (g) if so, the details thereof; and
- (h) the details of steps taken by the Government to ensure the future of children?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (h) As per the record of University Grants Commission (UGC), no Higher Educational Institution has been identified giving fake degrees for online programmes. Moreover, the UGC uploads the year-wise recognition/entitlement status of universities recognized/entitled to offer programme through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode and Online mode along with programme names in the public domain. Added to this, notices are displayed on the official website of UGC regarding precautions to be taken by the students before enrolling for programmes offered under ODL and/or Online Learning mode.
