GOVERNMENT OF NDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3487 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2015

Funds to Universities

3487. SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has directed the top educational institutions and other universities in the country to give more importance to social current topics like climate change and clean energy etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any funds have been allotted to these institutions by the Government to conduct research on these topics; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (d): The Ministry has launched IMPacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT) on 5th November, 2015 as a pan- Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) and Indian Institute of Science (IISc) initiative to develop a roadmap for research to solve major engineering and technology challenges in ten technology domains relevant to India. The Indian Institute of Sciences, Bangalore and the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay are coordinating the initiative on environmental science & climate change and energy security, respectively, under IMPRINT. Details on IMPRINT, including resources, are available at http://imprint-india.org.
