GOVERNMENT OF NDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3489 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2015

Introduction of MPT Course

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce physiotherapy profession as a curriculum in various universities and colleges across the country;
- (b) if so, whether the Delhi University is planning to introduce Master of Physiotherapy (MPT) course in their programmes;
- (c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be introduced and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the qualified physiotherapists are allowed to write/affix Doctor before their names; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (c): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that, in excercise of powers conferred under section 22 of UGC Act, 1956, it has specified Bachelor of Physiotherapy (BPT) and Master of Physiotherapy (MPT) degrees. Universities running BPT and MPT courses are required to follow the regulations prescribed by UGC and the respective statutory council, if any. University of Delhi has informed that it has approved introduction of MPT course in Amar Jyoti Institute of Physiotherapy and Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Institute for Physically Handicapped.
- (d) & (e): University of Delhi has further clarified that the university has allowed to only Ph.D holders to write/prefix Doctor before their names.
