GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2343 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.05.2016

Social work in Higher Education

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

(a) the number of the higher education institutions where social work is being taught as a subject at graduation and post graduation levels;

(b) the number of students who are studying social work as a subject in these various institutes of higher education and the number of teachers of the said subject working therein;

(c) whether posts of the teachers of social work are lying vacant in various institutions of higher education; and

(d) if so, the remedial measures being taken by the Government in this regard, Statewise?

ANSWER

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

(a): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that as per information available on All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) provisional report for the year 2014-15, there are 492 higher education institutions (119 Universities & 373 Colleges) where social work is being taught as a subject at graduation and post-graduation levels.

(b): The UGC has informed that according to the final report of AISHE for the year 2013-14, there are 17,422 and 47,001 students enrolled in universities and colleges in Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) and Master of Social Work (MSW) courses respectively.

(c) & (d): Subject wise number of vacancies of teachers of social work is not being centrally maintained. UGC has sent letters to all Central Universities to expedite the filling up of all vacant teaching positions.
