GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. **2505**TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH MAY, 2016

Funds for development of Universities

2505. SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any new plans/policies and has released funds to various universities for the Development of Infrastructure and other facilities in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, university-wise; and
- (c) the total funds allocated, disbursed and utilised during the last three years for the development of universities in the country including Tamil Nadu, year-wise, Statewise and University-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The Central Government has launched several new initiatives viz. National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), Impacting Research, Innovation & Technology (IMPRINT), Uchchatar Avishkar Yojna (UAY), Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) in the field of education for the qualitative development of education in the country.

The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) through the University Grants Commission (UGC) provides adequate infrastructure support to various universities. The UGC has been providing development and maintenance assistance to eligible universities and colleges for upgrading infrastructure and for the expansion and consolidation of facilities, improvement of standards through modernization etc. UGC provides the XII Plan General Development Assistance to Central, State & Deemed to be universities in the form of Plan Block Grant. This

includes construction/renovation of building, campus development, staff, books and journals, laboratory, equipment and infrastructure, annual maintenance contract, innovative research activities, university industry linkages, extension activities, development of ICT, health care, student amenities etc.

The details of total funds allocated, disbursed and utilised during the last three years under the General Development Assistance (GDA) scheme of the UGC during XII Plan in respect of Central, State & Deemed to be universities is available at www.ugc.ac.in.
