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

### LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. **2478** TO BE ANSWERED ON 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST, 2016

#### **New Plans and Policies**

2478. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has prepared new plans and policies and released funds to various universities for the development of infrastructure and other facilities in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total funds allocated, disbursed and utilized during the last three years and the current year; and
- (c) the total funds provided and spent during the last three years for the development of universities in the State of Tamil Nadu, University-wise?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(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.

As informed by the UGC, the details of total funds allocated, disbursed and utilised under the General Development Assistance (GDA) scheme of the UGC during XIIth Plan in respect of Central, State & Deemed to be universities of all states/UTs including the state of Tamil Nadu is available on their website at <a href="http://www.ugc.ac.in/ugc\_notices.aspx?id=1386">http://www.ugc.ac.in/ugc\_notices.aspx?id=1386</a>.

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