

PARLIAMENT QUESTION

F.No. H.11016/05/2020-CDN
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education
CDN Section

229-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 2nd March, 2020

Subject: Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1678 for 05.03.2020 regarding "National initiative for sports and wellness in educational institutes"

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1678 for 05.03.2020 regarding "National initiative for sports and wellness in educational institutes". The text of the question is as under:

National initiative for sports and wellness in educational institutes

- whether Government has launched a national initiative for sports and wellness in educational institutions;
- if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- whether Government proposes to include fitness and wellness programme in higher education;
- if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- whether Government proposes to raise sports participation in educational institutions; and
- if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

2. It is requested that part-wise information may please be provided **URGENTLY**, to CDN Section, along with a soft copy mailed to cdn.edu@nic.in.

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Section Officer (CDN)
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RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION

05.03.2020

National initiative for sports and
wellness in educational institutes

1678. SHRI NARAYAN LAL
PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has launched

a national initiative for sports and wellness
in educational institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not,
the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government proposes to
include fitness and wellness programme in
higher education;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not,
the reasons therefor;

(e) whether Government proposes to
raise sports participation in educational
institutions; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not,
the reasons therefor?

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Reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.1678

National initiative for sports and wellness in educational institutes

- a. **Whether the Government has launched national initiative for sports and Wellness in Educational Institutions.**

Reply: Yes.

- b. **Details of initiative for sports and Wellness.**

Reply: IISER Kolkata has launched the initiatives for sports and wellness. IISER Kolkata student's community is participating following sports activities daily basis for their all around development.

Basketball
Badminton
Cricket
Chess
Carom
Football
Kho-kho
Kabaddi
Karate coaching for the Self defence
Table tennis
Lawn Tennis
Volleyball
Gym training

- c. **Whether Government proposes to include fitness and wellness programme in higher education.**
d. **Details.**

Reply: MHRD is competent to reply.

- e. **Whether Government proposes to raise sports participation in educational institutes.**

Reply: MHRD is competent to reply.

- f. **If yes, details.**

Reply:

- i. IISER Kolkata has participating Inter IISER Sports Meet every Year in the month of December.
- ii. Inter batch Tournaments every year.
- iii. Auction based premier league tournament.
- iv. Karate competition for their belt up gradation.

F75 No. 700636/2020

No. H.11016/04/2020-CDN

Government of India

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Department of Higher Education

Parliament Question

229-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated 02nd March, 2020

Subject: Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1663 for 05.03.2020 reg. Increasing suicide rates among students.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1663 for 05.03.2020 reg. Increasing suicide rates among students. The text of the question is as under:-

Increasing suicide rates among students

- (a) whether Government is aware of the increasing suicide rates among students in the higher education institution in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has conducted any survey/research regarding the causes for suicides among students;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether Government is of the view that caste based discrimination is also one among the reasons for committing of suicides by students in the higher education institutions; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and steps taken by Government in this regard?

2. It is requested to provide the part-wise reply on the aforesaid question to CDN Section urgently. A soft copy of the same may also be sent to cdn.edu@nic.in.

Encl: As above

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Section Officer(CDN)

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Pl. see details urgently.

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RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION

05.03.2020

Increasing suicide rates among students

1663. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA
RAVINDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister
of HUMAN RESOURCE
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the increasing suicide rates among students in the higher education institution in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has conducted any survey/research regarding the causes for suicides among students;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether Government is of the view that caste based discrimination is also one among the reasons for committing of suicides by students in the higher education institutions; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and steps taken by Government in this regard?

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Reply to the following queries: (Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1663 for 05.03.2020 reg. increasing suicide rates among students.
FTS No.700636/2020- H.11016/04/2020-CDN dtd. 2nd March 2020

Sl. No.	Query	Reply
Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT		
a)	whether the Government is aware that the stress level has been increasing in students due to various reasons whether the Government has conducted any study in this regard;	Government/Ministry can reply suitably. However, IISER Kolkata is well aware about the level of stress increasing among the student members due to various reasons and the Institute is committed towards the general, physical and mental well-being of the student community at IISER Kolkata.
b)	if so, the details thereof;	NA
c) (d)	whether the Government has conducted any survey/research regarding the cases for suicides among students; If so, the details thereof	<p>Government/Ministry can reply suitably. Keeping in mind the same, IISER Kolkata conducts Mind Care and Wellness Workshop twice in a year. Apart from that IISER Kolkata has taken the following steps:</p> <p>1) We have a dedicated Mind Care and Wellness Centre. The mission of the centre is to address all the issues and factors leading to feelings of low mood, anxiety, stress, anger, low confidence, lack of motivation etc. and also to provide guidance to students and scholars to deal with issues and make better and healthier choices, leading to a healthy mental state. Counseling and Psychotherapy services are available for individual students to improve their effectiveness, explore their patterns of behavior and thinking towards a healthier change. Counseling provides an opportunity for individuals to learn to make better choices, improve interpersonal skills, develop confidence and increase educational effectiveness.</p> <p>2) Our Institute is also registered with YourDost, an online portal which provided 24 X 7 chat based counseling support to our students. They also provide audio-video sessions and organize related workshops/ webinars. The agency keeps all information of the users private and confidential. But intimate the Authorities about all red flag cases.</p>
e) (f)	Whether Government is of the view that caste based discrimination is also one among the reasons for committing of suicides by students in the higher education institutions; and if so, the details thereof and steps taken by Government in this regard	Government/Ministry can reply suitably. However, IISER Kolkata has been constituted a SC/ST/PwD Cell with mandate to ensure implementation of reservation policy, rights, facilities, security and health of SC/ST/OBC/PwD employees and students. In addition, due compliance with orders and instructions pertaining to reservations in favour of SCs, STs, OBCs, PwDs and to ensure inclusion and empowerment of persons with disabilities are also the responsibilities of this cell.

No. H.11014/01/2020-CDN
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education

229-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated 5th February, 2020

Subject: Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 105 for 10.02.2020 reg. Dropouts in Higher Education

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 105 for 10.02.2020 reg. Dropouts in Higher Education. The text of the question is as under:-

Dropouts in Higher Education

(a) whether a high dropout rate is being reported in Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Indian Institute of Management (IIM) and other higher education level courses;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last five years and the current year; and

(c) the corrective steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

2. It is requested to provide the part-wise reply along with the material for Executive Summary and Notes for supplementary on the aforesaid question to CDN Section urgently. A soft copy of the same may also be sent to cdn.edu@nic.in.

Encl: As above


(M K Meena)

Deputy Secretary(CDN)

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Dropouts in Higher Education

// *105. SHRIMATI VANGAGEETHA VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE
DEVELOPMENT

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high dropout rate is being reported in Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Indian Institute of Management (IIM) and other higher education level courses;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last five years and the current year; and

(c) the corrective steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

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Subject: Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 105 for answer on 10.02.2020 reg dropouts in Higher Education.

Ref.: Your e-mail dated 5 February 2020

Reply to Query (a) – No information present with Academic Cell of IISER Kolkata

Reply to Query (b): Requisite information in respect to Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata for all programmes of the Institute

	BS-MS	MS by Research	IPhD	PhD
2015	6	0	3	27
2016	11	0	0	20
2017	5	0	5	19
2018	5	0	1	29
2019	4	0	2	8

Reply to Query (c): Not Applicable

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RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION 06.02.2020

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Reservation in faculty positions of Central Universities

1545. DR. KIRODI LAL MEENA:
Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the
representation of Scheduled Castes/
Scheduled Tribes/Other Backward Classes
in the upper rungs of faculty positions in
central educational institutes/universities is
low;

(b) if so, the grade-wise and category-
wise details of the representation of said
groups in the grades from Assistant
Professor to Professor vis-a-vis General/
unreserved category; and

(c) the reasons for less representation
of the said groups in the upper rungs and
the steps taken by Government in this
regard?

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Ref: As above

Part-wise reply to above USA &c

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INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH KOLKATA
OFFICE OF FACULTY AFFAIRS
Mohanpur - 741 246

Dated 05 February 2020

Sub: RAJYA SABHA Unstarred Question No. 545 for reply on 06/02/2020 regarding
"Reservation in Faculty positions of Central Universities" - reg.

- a. Whether it is a fact that the representation of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes/Other Backward Classes in the upper rungs of Faculty positions in Central Educational Institutes/Universities is low:

IISER Kolkata has no details about other Central Educational Institutions/Universities.

- b. If so, the grade-wise and category-wise details of the representation of said groups in the grades from Assistant Professor or Professor *vis-a-vis* General/unreserved category; and:

Permanent Faculty	:	121	(SC : 03, ST : Nil, OBC : 05, UR : 113)
Professor	:	42	(SC : Nil, ST : Nil, OBC : 02, UR : 40)
Associate Professor	:	46	(SC : 01, ST : Nil, OBC : Nil, UR : 45)
Assistant Professor Gr. I	:	33	(SC : 02, ST : Nil, OBC : 03, UR : 28)

- c. The reasons for less representation of the said groups in the upper rungs and the steps taken by Government in this regard?

Non-availability of suitable candidates from the said categories. Several Special Recruitment Drive for reserve categories have been done to bridge the gap.

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University administration, if so, details of existing and revised fee and any extra payment which students are told to pay;

(b) whether the students belonging to socially and economically weaker section will not be able to bear this unprecedented fee hike;

(c) whether Government is aware of the protest of students in JNU against fee hike and details of intervention by Government to find a solution for it; and

(d) the details of communication with Government and JNU VC or administration on this matter?

Reservation in Central Educational Institutes

553. SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the proportion of reservation to be followed by the Central Institutes as per the Central Educational Institutions (CEIs) (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006, and by when is the envisaged reservation proportion needed to be attained as per this Act;

(b) the proportion of students in the IITs, NITs, Central Universities of the country from 2015 onwards for each institute;

(c) details of actions taken by the Ministry against institutions violating this proposed reservation during admissions; and

(d) by when the targeted reservation is expected to be attained by the Central Institutes?

Establishment of KVs in Karnataka

554. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any plan to start Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas at non-served places in Karnataka; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Suicides in IITs

555. SHRI A. MOHAMMEDJAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the last five years, 27 students across 10 IITs took their lives;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has made any attempt to unearth the reasons behind the students taking this extreme step; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by Government in addition to prevailing measures to prevent such suicides by the students of IITs?

Changes to the system of higher education and vocational education

556. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to bring in changes to the present system of higher education and vocational education by introducing more practical learning in order to make it more practical and employment-oriented;

(b) if so, the details of the steps initiated

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RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION 06.02.2020

Reservation in Central Educational Institutes

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अल्पसंख्यकों के आरक्षण के बारे में

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Reference above

Kindly provide part-wise inputs for preparing reply of
the above question, urgently. A copy may also be emailed at
Sachin 4/12/20 usa.humbad@gmail.com.

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Subject: Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 553 for answer on 06.02.2020 reg
Reservation in CEIs
Ref.: Your e-mail dated 04 February 2020

Reply to Query (a)- Reservation is as per Govt of India norms

Reply to Query (b): Requisite information in respect to Indian Institute of
Science Education and Research Kolkata for all programmes of the Institute

BS-MS

Academic Year	Male	Female	General + OBC	OBC NC	SC	ST	EWS	Total Student
2015-16	140	58	120	34	30	14	0	198
2016-17	160	45	105	49	34	17	0	205
2017-18	181	43	104	55	49	16	0	224
2018-19	156	59	115	55	29	16	0	215
2019-20	140	41	81	53	23	13	11	181

Integrated PhD

Academic Year	Total Students	Male	Female	General+OBC	OBC NC	SC	ST	EWS
2015-2016	20	12	8	18	2	0	-	-
2016-2017	22	15	7	19	2	1	-	-
2017-2018	31	20	11	27	3	1	-	-
2018-2019	22	16	6	16	3	3	-	-
2019-2020	24	17	7	15	5	2	2	-

PhD

Academic Year	Total Student	Male	Female	General	OBC+OBC NC	SC	ST	EWS
2015-2016	74	46	28	53	14	6	1	0
2016-2017	63	47	16	32	16	14	0	0
2017-2018	76	52	24	51	14	9	2	0
2018-2019	113	83	30	66	28	18	1	0
2019-2020	114	75	39	73	19	16	3	3

Reply to Query (c): Not Applicable

Reply to Query (d): Not Applicable



Most Immediate
Parliament Question

No. 16012/02/2020-CC
Government of India
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
Corporate Cell

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
30th January, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Lok Sabha Admitted Unstarred Question No.356 for 04.02.2020 asked by Dr. Umesh G. Jadhav, MP regarding "Vacant Posts for SCs and OBCs" reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject cited above and to say that the inputs/point wise reply to the Lok Sabha Admitted Unstarred Question No.356 for 04.02.2020 regarding "Vacant Posts for SCs and OBCs " to be replied on 04/02/2020, is required. The text of the question is as under:

- (a) Whether the seats reserved for Scheduled Castes/Other Backward Classes in education and jobs are lying vacant/difficult to fill;
- (b) If so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) The steps taken by the Government to fill the vacant jobs; and
- (d) the reasons for the prevalence of such vacancies/difficulty in getting candidates for the same?

2. It is requested that para wise reply/inputs of the question may be furnished by 30.01.2020 to this Department to frame reply of the question. Soft copy may also be e-mail at shakil.89@gov.in and hariom.75@gov.in.

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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

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New Delhi.

The Secretary, Department of Personnel & Training, Room No.112, North Block, New Delhi.
The Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
The Dy. Secretary (Kind attn. Shri Dipta Bhanu Das), D/o SJ& E Shastri Bhawan,

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Date: 31/01/2020

To,

The Technical Section-VII,

MHRD

With reference to OM No. 16012/02/2020-CC dated 30th January, 2020 with regard to Lok Sabha unstarred question No. 356 dated 04.02.2020, the following is the relevant information pertaining to IISER Kolkata.

a) Whether the seats reserved for SC/OBC in education and jobs are lying vacant/difficult to fill;

Ans.-Yes, some posts are vacant.

b) If so, the details thereof, State-wise;

Ans.-No. of non-teaching vacancies: SC-5, OBC-20

No. of teaching vacancies: SC-3, OBC-03

c) The steps taken by the Government to fill the vacant jobs; and

Ans.-Regarding non-teaching positions by issuing repeat notifications. Regarding teaching positions, IISER Kolkata is regularly conducting interview to fill up vacant teaching positions.

d) the reasons for the prevalence of such vacancies/difficulty in getting candidates for the same?

Ans.- Regarding non-teaching positions, vacancy is due to general delay in filling up of posts and regarding teaching positions, Non-availability of suitable candidates from the said categories.

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PARLIAMENT QUESTION
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F.No.H.11017/01/2019-CDN
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education

229C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 5th December, 2019

Subject: Rajya Sabha Parliament Question Diary No. S929 (Admitted No. 2654) for answer on 11.12.2019 regarding 'Accommodation for students migrating to large cities'.

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of O.M No. 1/06/2019-CDN-I dated 04.12.2019 received from Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs on the above mentioned question for providing inputs.

2. It is requested that the part-wise information may please be furnished **immediately**, directly to Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs along with a soft copy mailed at email. I.D's vipinchander.chamoli35@gov.in under intimation to CDN Section.

W/S 11/12/19
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Section Officer (CDN)
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Reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2654

(a) whether Government has undertaken any study to assess stay accommodation required by students who are attracted to large cities for higher studies;

Reply: NA

(b) if so, the details thereof with respect to major metropolitan cities (Group-A);

Reply: NA

(c) whether more than 80 per cent students are forced to hire private accommodation because of non-availability of hostels owned by universities/institutions; and

Reply: IISER Kolkata has the hostel facility to accommodate its student strength.

(d) what action Government propose to organise the sector which involves about 35 million students engaged in higher studies in cities if the percentage of accommodation seekers is so high?

Reply: Now to accommodate further, proposal for construction of additional hostel facility in IISER Kolkata has been made.

Reservation in Private Sector

†3642. SHRI VINOD KUMAR
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken/
proposes to take any steps for providing
reservation in private sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the progress made in
this regard so far; and

(d) the time by which the reservation
in private sector is likely to be provided by
the Government?

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

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be pleased to state:

(a) the number of suicides reported
during the last three years and the current
year in the country;

(b) whether the Government has
conducted any survey to find out the
causes of suicides;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not,
the reasons therefor;

(d) whether corrective measures have
been taken to prevent suicides; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not,
the reasons therefor?

RVY for Disabled Persons

†3643. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
PINTU:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is
considering to cover all the disabled persons
apart from Senior Citizens under the
Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY) as there
are large number of such young persons
and children belonging to BPL category
across the country particularly those who
are living in flood affected areas like
Sitamarhi and Sheohar of Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Demand based Employment in
MGNREGA**

†3645. SHRIMATI REKHA
VERMA:

Will the Minister of RURAL
DEVELOPMENT

ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the provision of compensation for
not providing employment to the eligible
applicants under MGNREGA as per their
demand;

(b) the data of availability of demand
based employment during the last financial
year;

(c) the number of applicants granted
compensation for not providing
employment during the last financial year
and the amount provided by Uttar Pradesh
in this regard;

(d) whether there is a provision for
insurance in case of accident/death while
doing work under MGNREGA; and if not,
the reasons therefor?

Suicide Cases

†3644. SHRI ANANT KUMAR

Reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3644

(a) the number of suicides reported during the last three year and the current year in the country.

Reply: One Suicide case reported.

(b) Whether the Government has conducted any survey to find out the causes of suicides.

Reply: No.

(c) If so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor.

Reply: Since corrective measures are being taken, no such survey has been conducted.

(d) Whether corrective measures have been taken to prevent suicides.

Reply: Yes.

(e) If so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons thereof.

Reply: Mind Care and Wellness Centre has been established to take care of general physical and mental well-being of the student, staff, faculty and their family members at IISER Kolkata. Skilled psychotherapists, Clinical Psychologists and Counsellors are engaged to help them find resolution for their life difficulties.

MOST URGENT
Parliament Question

No. H.11016/19/2019-CDN
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education

229-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated 9th December, 2019

Subject: Rajya Sabha Untarred Question No 2771 for 12.12.2019 reg. Women participation in STEM institutes

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of Rajya Sabha Untarred Question No 2771 for 12.12.2019 reg. Women participation in STEM institutes. The text of the question is as under:-

Women participation in STEM institutes

- (a) whether women account for only 14 per cent of the 2.8 lakh scientists in R&D institutions with India having the largest cohort in world of such scientists aged less than 30 years of which about half are women;
- (b) whether there is no dearth of women teaching science and maths in schools and colleges and whether there is a decline in their participation at the doctoral and professional stages; and
- (c) plans to encourage women in pursuing their studies in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), to enable India build its potential firepower in knowledge economy?

2. It is requested to provide the part-wise reply on the aforesaid question to CDN Section by today 05:00 PM urgently. A soft copy of the same may also be sent to cdn.edu@nic.in.

Pl. circulate and put up.

Shivendra Babu
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RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION

12.12.2019

Women participation in STEM
institutes

2771. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM:
Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether women account for only 14 per cent of the 2.8 lakh scientists in R&D institutions with India having the largest cohort in world of such scientists aged less than 30 years of which about half are women;
- (b) whether there is no dearth of women teaching science and maths in schools and colleges and whether there is a decline in their participation at the doctoral and professional stages; and
- (c) plans to encourage women in pursuing their studies in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), to enable India build its potential firepower in knowledge economy?

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Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2771 for 10.12.19

- (a) Out of a total of 1476 students across all Programmes at IISER Kolkata, 381 are females
- (b) Out of total 119 no. of faculty teaching Science and Maths in IISER Kolkata, 16 are women.
- (c) By conducting outreach programmes specially meant for girl students, by means of providing a safe and secure residential campus for students, etc.

PARLIAMENT QUESTION
URGENT

No. H.11016/20/2019-CDN
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education

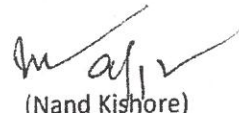
229-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 9th December, 2019

Subject: Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2774 for 12.12.2019 regarding "Conduct of courses to promote youths of the country".

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2774 for 12.12.2019 regarding "Conduct of courses to promote youths of the country". The printed text of the question is as under:-

- (a) details of stream which are most popular option among students as per latest All India Survey for Higher Education;
- (b) whether Government proposes to promote higher education and research in country especially Science and Engineering;
- (c) if so, various courses being conducted to promote youths of country at present alongwith details;
- (d) details of grants and funds released for advancement of the same;
- (e) whether Government has framed any directive to provide financial support to students who are pursuing Ph.D/research in private and Government colleges details thereof; and
- (f) other steps taken to develop world class research facilities in the country to promote research?

2. It is requested to provide the part-wise reply on the aforesaid question to CDN section by **toady 05:00 PM urgently**. A soft copy of the same may also be sent to cdn.edu@nic.in.


(Nand Kishore)
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Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2774 for 10.12.19

- (a) The Programme-wise division across various disciplines is given below (as on 30.09.2018, the latest report of AISHE)

Programme	Biological Sciences	Chemical Sciences	Earth Sciences	Mathematics & Statistics	Physical Sciences
BS-MS (3 rd year onwards)	135	158	125	79	218
IPhD	39	54	13	9	42
PhD	69	161	34	14	74

- (b) IISER Kolkata promotes its undergraduate and postgraduate programmes by means of sending fliers and posters to schools and colleges across the country, and by conducting outreach programmes from time to time.

- (c) The following Programmes are offered at IISER Kolkata

- 5 Year BS-MS Dual Degree Programme
- MS by Research Programme
- Integrated PhD Programme (IPhD)
- Doctor of Philosophy Programme (PhD)

- (d)

- A. The details of grant and funds released for research in IISER Kolkata from different sponsoring agencies since inception to till date as per data/records available in R&D section and Annual Accounts are furnished below for your perusal please.

Project/Scheme Sanctioned Amount and Grant-in-aid received (2006-2019):-

Sl No.	Particulars	Sanctioned Amount (Amount in Rs.)	Grant-in-aid Received (Amount in Rs.)
1.	Extra Mural Projects	1075483880	881268898
2.	Faculty Fellowship/Awards	440386903	164649418
3.	Consultancy Projects	52636265	38479964
4.	Total	1568507048	1084398280

- B. The details of grant-in-aid received for advancement of higher education in IISER Kolkata in respect of R&D from different sponsoring agencies since inception to till date as per data/records available in R&D section and Annual Accounts are furnished below for your perusal please.

Student Fellowship & Contingency Grant-in-aid received (2006-2019):-

Sl No.	Particulars	Grant-in-aid Received (Amount in Rs.)
1.	CSIR Fellowship & Contingency	119833326
2.	UGC Fellowship & Contingency	85680833
3.	ICMR Fellowship & Contingency	4159951
4.	DST-Inspire (PhD)	74522731
5.	DBT-RA	3548548
6.	DBT-JRF	530103
7.	SERB-NPDF	67014339
8.	DAE-NBHM	5951805
9.	Total	361241636

Total Grant-in-aid received till now for the FY 2019-20 from MHRD is Rs.74.08 Crore

(e) Financial support is given as follows:

BS-MS students get scholarship under KVPY, INSPIRE, etc., subject to eligibility

MR students get fellowship by Institute

IPhD students get fellowship by Institute or external funding agencies

PhD students get fellowship by Institute or external funding agencies

(f) NA

Scheme for basic scientific infrastructure development in universities

- (a) whether Government proposes to have any scheme for strengthening the basic infrastructure for Science and Technology in universities and other institutes of higher education;
- (b) if so, the numbers of universities/ educational departments identified, for this purpose, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to encourage the young scientists for undertaking serious scientific works in the country?

It is requested that updated information along with the relevant inputs may be provided at the earliest and latest by 16:00 hrs (04:00 PM) on 6-12-2019 (Friday) to enable consolidation of the response and further action by Parliament section.

With Best Regards,
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To the Group of Secretaries in Science & Technology

Dear Sirs/Madam

The following Parliament Unstarred Question (Rajya Sabha) related to Ministry of Science & Technology is for Sitting on 10-12-2019 (No. 2545).

Scheme for basic scientific infrastructure development in universities

- (a) whether Government proposes to have any scheme for strengthening the basic infrastructure for Science and Technology in universities and other institutes of higher education;

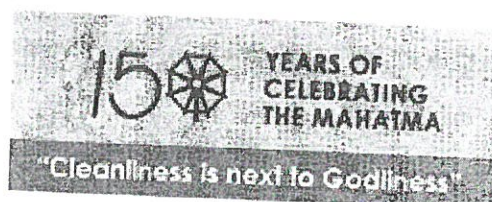
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SCIENCE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH KOLKATA
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Ref No. : IISER-K/R&D/2019-20/

Date : 10.12.2019

Sub : Parliament Question: Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2545 cor 10.12.2019 regarding 'Scheme for basic scientific infrastructure development in Universities'.

Please refer to the e-mail dated 09.12.2019 regarding the above mentioned subject.

The desired information in respect of R&D is furnished below for your kind perusal:

Sl No.	Query	Reply
1.	Whether Government proposes to have any scheme for strengthening the basic infrastructure for Science and Technology in Universities and other Institutes of higher education	<p>IISER Kolkata has given major emphasis on interaction with Industry in order to boost the funding as well as much needed collaboration/interaction with Industry. Agreements/Memorandum of Understandings (MoU) have been signed with prominent Industrial entities which will be beneficial for research fraternity of the Institute as well as strengthen infrastructure of the Institute.</p> <p>IISER Kolkata recently initiated the process of setting-up of an incubation cell to strongly encourage faculty and student members of the Institute to do translational research. This would give them an excellent platform to convert some of their laboratory research outputs to develop products particularly for the benefit of the society and the country as a whole.</p> <p>RISE (Research Innovation and Scientific Entrepreneurship) Foundation IISER, a no-profit no-loss section 8 company, is all set to commence operations very soon at IISER Kolkata. The initial funding to the tune of Rs 13 crore has been sanctioned by DST via the NIDHI TBI scheme. RISE Foundation IISER would be primarily engaged in the translation of fundamental science research in the institute and nearby regions into direct applications and products that would eventually lead to the nucleation of technology-based start-up initiatives. The company, which will basically serve as an incubation centre, will initially strive to enhance entrepreneurship in the eastern and north-eastern part of India which will create new job opportunities and strengthen the economy of the region.</p>
2.	If so, the numbers of universities/educational departments identified, for the purpose, State-wise; and	Not applicable
3.	The steps, taken by Government to encourage the young scientist for undertaking serious scientific works in the country?	<p>IISER Kolkata provides the foundation for continued development of departmental and interdisciplinary research initiatives. The agenda includes-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Providing a supportive research environment in which faculty members and research scholars can flourish and develop in every stage of their career ii. Facilitating submission of project proposals to external funding agencies. iii. Encouraging collaboration and partnership with other research institutes and industries, at both national and international levels

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		<p>iv. Encouraging interdisciplinary research Programs to address major challenges faced by our society</p> <p>IISER Kolkata has taken several steps in order to encourage the young scientist for undertaking serious scientific works in the Institute which are furnished below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GRANT FOR CREATION OF RESEARCH FACILITY: This grant has been provided to newly joined faculty members in order to enable them kick start the research activities by establish in the research facility at the earliest. Major equipment purchased from this grant becomes an 'Institute facility'. 2. MATCHING GRANT: Matching grants have been provided to faculty members to supplement funding from External Funding Agencies, in case of any shortfall of fund towards procurement of equipments under Non-Recurring Grant. 3. PERFORMANCE GRANT: Institute provides grant for 2 years to faculty members who are Swarnajayanti, INSA, IASc, NASI or TWAS Fellows or have received S S Bhatnagar and B M Birla awards. 4. GRANTS FOR AMC/REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT PROCURED OUT OF CLOSED EXTRAMURAL PROJECTS: Since significant numbers of equipments are procured out of Extramural Project Funds, the Institute decided to support in terms of annual maintenance and repair of suitable equipments which were procured out of closed Extramural Projects. <p>In addition, the Institute has also provided fund to the five departments to enable faculty members in conducting cutting-edge research and teaching.</p>
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04.12.2019

To:

The Secretary
Department of Higher Education
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Shastri Bhavan
New Delhi - 110 001, Fax: 2338 1355

Subject: Answer/Materials for Lok Sabha Provisional Starred Question D No. 11617 for 13.12.2019.

Sir,

We have received the following Provisional Starred Lok Sabha Question for answer on 13.12.2019 on 'LINKAGE BETWEEN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTES AND INDUSTRY':-

- (a) whether the Government has taken steps for improving the linkage between educational institutes and industry to promote research and development that meets the demands of the market;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for promoting the contribution of women scientists in the field of science and technology;
- (d) the achievements of the Government with respect to the "Scheme for Young Scientists and Technologists" in addressing the problems of the society; and
- (e) the achievements of the Government under the scheme Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research Programme. Innovation of Science Pursuit for Inspire Research (INSPIRE)?

We shall be grateful if a draft answer and details on the above along with supplementaries are sent to us at the earliest positively by 04th December 2019 (3:00PM).

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully

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Subject: Reply to Lok Sabha Provisional Starred Question D No.11617 FOR 13.12.19

(a) Whether the Government has taken steps for improving the linkage between educational institutes and industry to promote research and development that meets the demands of the market.

Reply: Yes. The Institute has taken several steps for improving the linkage with industry to promote research and development that meets the demands of the market.

(b) If so, the details thereof.

Reply: The Institute has taken following steps in this endeavor.

- From very beginning, the Institute has given major emphasis for improving linkage with industry to promote research and development that meets the demands of the market. As incentive, in case of consultancy projects, 70 % of total consultancy income amount goes to the Principal Consultant. In addition, 25% of overheads of all sponsored projects get credited to the PDAP account of the Principal Investigator/ Consultant.
- There are collaborative research projects with industries.
- IISER Kolkata recently initiated the process of setting-up of an incubation cell to strongly encourage faculty and student members of the Institute to do translational research. This would give them an excellent platform to convert some of their laboratory research outputs to develop products particularly for the benefit of the society and the country as a whole.
- RISE (Research Innovation and Scientific Entrepreneurship) Foundation IISER, a no- profit no-loss Section 8 company, is all set to commence operations very soon at IISER Kolkata. The initial funding to the tune of Rs. 13 crore has been sanctioned by DST via the NIDHI TBI scheme. RISE Foundation IISER would be primarily engaged in the translation of fundamental science research in the institute and nearby regions into direct applications and products that would eventually lead to the nucleation of technology-based start-up initiatives.
- **Translational Research:** Along with fundamental advances in research, faculty members of IISER Kolkata have conducted cutting edge research with societal relevance in various sectors which have been acknowledged and are being translated by industries.
- **Institute's Innovation Council (IIC):** To tap every innovative idea of young UG/PG students, to nurture those ideas into entrepreneurship and to get way for their own start-ups, MIC (MHRD Innovation Cell) has established IIC in HEIs. IISER Kolkata has IIC and some of the council members are from Industries. In the IIC activities too successful innovators, startups and entrepreneurs are invited for continuous interaction with students and faculties.

In view of above mentioned steps taken, the Institute has been able to increase the interaction with various Industrial entities and some of the notable names are WWF-India, GE Global Research, Bangalore, Gunnebo India Private Limited, Unilever, Invictus Oncology, CDA-ICZMP, Hi-Media, Stone India Limited, WJ Décor, ADO Additives Mfg. Pvt. Ltd., GAIL, TATA STEEL, CIPLA etc.

(c) The steps taken by the Government for promoting the contribution of women scientists in the field of Science and technology.

Reply: The Institute has provided support for all the women scientists who have joined through various schemes/ Programmes of various Departments/Ministries. At present 3 women scientists under **DST-WOSA scheme** are working in the Institute. Women Scientific officers of IISER Kolkata have been given opportunities to continue their own research works independently with own laboratory.

(d) The achievements of the Government with respect to the "Scheme for young scientist and Technologists " in addressing the problems of the society.

Reply: The Institute has provided support for all the women scientists who have joined through various schemes/ Programmes of various Departments/Ministries. At present we do not have any women scientist working under **Scheme for young scientist and Technologists** scheme.

(e) The achievements of the Government under the Scheme innovation in Science Pursuit for inspired Research Programme. Innovation of science pursuit for Inspire Research (INSPIRE) ?

Reply: The institute has supported INSPIRE Programme wholeheartedly. At present, we have 60 students doing PhDs under INSPIRE and 4 INSPIRE Faculty awardees. There are 382 INSPIRE UG fellows (Academic session 2018-19).

**Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3307 for 09.12.2019 regarding
"PH.D STUDENTS"**

(a) the number of students pursuing Doctorate of Philosophy across the country;

Reply : The number of students pursuing Doctorate of Philosophy under PhD and IPhD programme at IISER Kolkata as on 04.12.2019 is 495.

(b) the details of Doctorate of Philosophy awarded in the country, Statewise, especially in Andhra Pradesh during the last five years;

Reply : The details of Doctorate of Philosophy awarded under PhD and IPhD programme at IISER Kolkata in last five years (2015-2019) is 156.

(c) the details of stipend given to Ph.D students from various fields;

Reply : The details of stipend given from various fields to Ph.D students under PhD and IPhD programme at IISER Kolkata as on 04.12.2019 is as follows :

INSPIRE	: 72
ICMR	: 4
CSIR	: 145
NBHM	: 1
UGC	: 75
UGC-RGNF	: 2
DBT	: 1
IISER-K	: 183
CESSI	: 3
Other Projects	: 9

(d) whether there is any plan to increase the current number of Ph.D students in Arts and Sciences to promote better research outcomes;

Reply : Yes, IISER Kolkata is planning to increase no. of PhD scholars in science by 20% in the coming years subject to availability of proper infrastructure.

F.No. H.11014/23/2019-CDN
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education
CDN Section

229-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated the 28th November, 2019

Subject: Lok Sabha Starred Question Diary No. 9280 for answer on 09.12.2019 regarding "Shortage of teachers"

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of Lok Sabha Starred Question Diary No. 9280 for answer on 09.12.2019 regarding "Shortage of teachers". The text of the question is as under:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is huge shortage of teachers in various higher and technical education institutions of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any drive has been launched for large scale recruitment in all Educational Institutes of the country facing shortage of teachers;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the vacancies are likely to be filled on regular and contractual basis and current vacancy of teaching and non-teaching posts in various Universities/ Institutions in India;
- (f) whether the Government considers that due to shortage of teachers, educational standard of those institution is low; and
- (g) if so, the steps is being taken by the Government for immediately resolve this problems ?

2. It is requested that part-wise reply of the question along with note for supplementary and executive summery may kindly be provided **immediately** to CDN Section. The soft copy of the inputs may also be mailed to cdn.edu@nic.in.

(M.K. Meena)

Deputy Secretary (CDN)

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Reply to Lok Sabha S.Q.No.9280

A. WHETHER IT IS A FACT THAT THERE IS HUGE SHORTAGE OF TEACHER IN VARIOUS HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS OF THE COUNTRY:

IISER Kolkata has no details.

B. IF SO, THE DETAILS THEREOF:

Out of 135 Sanction posts only 6 teaching positions are vacant. The process of recruitment for these positions has already started.

C. WHETHER ANY DRIVE HAS BEEN LAUNCHED FOR LARGE SCALE RECRUITMENT IN ALL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTES OF THE COUNTRY FACING SHORTAGE OF TEACHERS:

IISER Kolkata has already conducted the recruitment drive in August -September 2019 and the recruitment for the rest of the vacant teaching positions will be completed soon.

D. IF SO, THE DETAILS THEREOF:

As above (Question No. c).

E. WHETHER THE VACANCIES ARE LIKELY TO BE FILLED ON REGULAR AND CONTRACTUAL BASIC AND CURRENT VACANCY OF TEACHING AND NON-TEACHING POSTS IN VARIOUS UNIVERSITIES/INSTITUTIONAL IN INDIA:

6 vacant teaching position will be filled up on regular basis.
36 vacancies in non-teaching posts will be filled-up on regular basis.

F. WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS THAT DUE TO SHORTAGE OF TEACHER, EDUCATIONAL STANDARD OF THOSE INSTITUTION IS LOW:

IISER Kolkata has no details.

G. IF SO, THE STEPS IS BEING TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR IMMEDIATELY RESOLVE THIS PROBLEMS:

IISER Kolkata is regularly conducting interview to fill up vacant teaching positions.

Reply to LSUSQ No.1364

(a) the nature of physical disabilities considered under the reservation quota for the purpose of admission in educational institutions;

Reply: As per RPWD Act, 2016 reservation for persons with benchmark disabilities is ensured i.e. blindness and low vision; deaf and hard of hearing; locomotor disability; autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness and multiple disabilities from amongst the above.

(b) whether the quota for the disabled is being filled up regularly in educational institutions in the country;

Reply: Yes, as per the allotment of seats to the BS-MS programme done by Joint Admission Committee of all the IISERs

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

Reply:

BS-MS programme : Total: 7 ; 2017-18 : 2; 2018-19 : 2; 2019-20 : 3

PhD programme: Total :2 ; 2017-18 : 1; 2018-19 : 0; 2019-20 : 1

(d) whether there is any proposal to increase the percentage of quota for the disabled; and

Reply: It is a Government policy decision.

(e) if so, the details thereof? NA.

Reply to LSUSQ No. 1324

(a) whether the Government has been working consistently to promote higher education and research in the country; and

Reply: Yes.

(b) if so, the names of the various courses being conducted to encourage the youth in the country presently along with the details thereof?

Reply: IISER Kolkata has the following courses in this regard:

- a) 5 Year BS-MS Dual Degree Programme
- b) MS in Space Physics
- c) Integrated PhD Programme
- d) Doctor of Philosophy Programme

Links to the programme and courses is as below:

<https://www.iiserkol.ac.in/web/en/academic/programmes/>
[https://www.iiserkol.ac.in/static/images/iiserk/academic/Courses
of study 2019.html](https://www.iiserkol.ac.in/static/images/iiserk/academic/Courses_of_study_2019.html)

No. H.11016/13/2019-CDN
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education

229-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 19th November, 2019

Subject: Provisionally admitted Rajya Sabha Starred/Unstarred Question Diary No. S2717, for reply on 28.11.2019 regarding 'UGC guidelines for filling up faculty vacancies'.

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of provisionally admitted Rajya Sabha Starred/Unstarred Question Diary No. S2717, for 28.11.2019 regarding 'UGC guidelines for filling up faculty vacancies'. The text of the question is as under:-

- (a) details of guidelines issued by the UGC to various institutions to fill up 3 lakh vacancies within a stipulated period of six months;
- (b) details of teaching vacancies in various educational institutions and steps taken by the Ministry to fill-in the vacancies in a time-bound manner; and
- (c) present status of recruitment in various institutions, State-wise and institution-wise?

2. It is requested that the part-wise information along with Note for supplementary may be please be provided immediately to CDN section along with a soft copy mailed to cdn.edu@nic.in.

Encl: As above

To

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INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH KOLKATA
OFFICE OF FACULTY AFFAIRS
Mohanpur - 741 246

Dated 20 November 2019

Sub: RAJYA SABHA Starred/Unstarred Question Diary No. S2717 for reply on 28/11/2019 regarding "UGC guidelines for filling up faculty vacancies"

Ref.: MHRD Ref No. H.11016/13/2019 - CDN, Dated 19 November 2019

- a. **Details of guidelines issued by the UGC to various Institutions to fill up 3 lakh vacancies within a stipulated period of six months :**
The UGC guideline is not applicable for IISER Kolkata.
- b. **Details of teaching vacancies in various educational Institutions and steps taken by the Ministry to fill in the vacancies in a time-bound manner:**
IISER Kolkata has 6 vacant positions and to fill up the vacant positions, IISER Kolkata will conduct the Special Drive Recruitment in the month of December 2019/January 2020.
- c. **Present status of recruitment in various Institutions, State-wise and Institution wise:**
The recruitment under the Rolling Advertisement was conducted for all the departments to fill the vacant post from July 2019 - September 2019. Special Drive Recruitment for the current vacant position will be done in the month of December 2019 - January 2020, based on the availability of the Expert Members

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PARLIAMENT QUESTION
MOST URGENT

F. No.14-10/2019-U1A
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 18th November, 2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 576 for 21.11.2019 asked by Dr. Ameer Yajnik regarding Availability of adequate quality facilities in all higher educational institutions.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 576 for 21.11.2019 for availability of adequate quality facilities in all higher educational institutions. The text of the question is as below:-

(a) the steps taken by Government to ensure availability of adequate quality facilities in all higher educational institutions and capacity building at all levels of employment in such institutions; and

(b) what steps Government is taking to provide incentives to encourage quality facilities?

2. It is requested to provide part-wise inputs for preparing reply to the above question, latest by 5:00 pm today (18.11.2019). A soft copy may also be provided at u1a.he.mhrd@gmail.com.

V. Sagar
18/11/19

(Vidya Sagar Rai)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel: 23388103

To

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Pl. circulate urgently.

Shivendra Rao
18/11

Reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 576

"IISER Kolkata has built up a state of the art campus to not only provide quality education but also to ensure healthy campus living.

To name a few, world class faculty and resourceful support staff, Hostels, Medical Unit, Ambulance, Basketball court, Swimming Pool, Mind Care and Wellness Centre, Equal Opportunity Cell, High-end Auditorium, Library, Virtual Classroom, Canteen, Laboratories, Computing facility, Transport facility are provided.

Rigorous selection process is followed in all appointments followed by credentials verification, time to time in-house and external training programmes are arranged to improve the skill sets and as part of capacity building exercise. "

Reply of to Rajya Sabha Question Notice Dy. No. S1021

(a) The number of central universities & other centrally funded higher education institutes that have established Equal Opportunity Cells, as mandated by the UGC.

Reply: IISER Kolkata has a SC/ST/OBC/PWD cell similar to that of Equal Opportunity Cell mandated by UGC to the colleges.

Composition of the Cell is as below:

- 1) Dr. Sumit Khanra, DCS, Convener
- 2) Mr. D.Govinda Rao, DR(F&A)
- 3) Mr. Chinmay Sarkar, AR, - Liaison Officer
- 4) Mr. Rahul Prasad, JE
- 5) Mrs. Sharmistha Ghosh, OA

(b) the state-wise details thereof.

Reply: Not Applicable

(c) Whether any action has been taken by the ministry against universities that have not established Equal Opportunity Cells, and if so, details thereof.

Reply: Not Applicable

(d) The details of the steps taken or proposed by the Ministry to address caste based discrimination against students, teaching and non-teaching staff in higher education institutions.

Reply Not Applicable.

Reply to Parliament Starred/unstarred Question (Rajya Sabha) related to Ministry of Science & Technology (D.No. 3495).

1. The capital expenditure by Government to develop and upgraded research and development infrastructure over the post 10 years on account of Grant-in-aid is Rs. 276.43 crore (Rupees Two Seventy Six crore Forty Three lakh only)

2.The Capital Expenditure by Government to develop and upgrade research and development infrastructure in India over the past 10 years out of Sponsored Projects / Schemes is Rs.35,18,77,352/-(Rupees thirty five crore eighteen lac seventy seven thousand three hundred fifty two only).

Total be treated as Rupees Three Hundred Eleven Crore Sixty One lakh(approx.).

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LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

FOR REPLY ON 22nd JULY, 2019

Vacant Posts in Research Institutes

✓ 14683. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts lying vacant
till date in Research Institutes of the
Government of India;

(b) the steps taken by the
Government to fill these posts; and

(c) the number of Research Centres
set up in Bihar along with the number of
Research Centres which are likely to be
set up?

Pl. give a
reply pertaining
to HSE only.

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Reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4683

Out of the sanctioned strength of 135 faculty position, 20 positions are vacant (Note: Offer letters were issued for 4 positions and they will be joining shortly). Selection into remaining positions against the rolling advertisement is being done.

Non-teaching: Out of 130 sanctioned positions, 38 positions are lying vacant but against that 21 positions are already notified for recruitment and for remaining 17 positions recruitment notification is being issued.

**Reply to PROVISIONAL ADMITTED QUESTION FOR THE RAJYA SABHARS, Starred /Unstarred
Diary No. – S4434**

(a) The percentage of seats reserved for SC and ST community in Central universities and other higher educational institutes during the last five years

Reply: The seats reserved for recruiting Assistant Professors in the individual departments from SC and ST community is 15% and 7 ½% respectively. The faculty posts are sanctioned under flexi-cadre system.

(b) Details of seats vacant for these communities in these institutes during the above period

The vacant seats during the above period is given below

Reply:

2014 = 8
2015 = 8
2016 = 27
2017 = 19
2018 = 21
2019 = 15

c. The total number of teachers employed on contract basic in these Institute during the last there years and whether the rosters of reservation were followed in their employment:

Reply: Two Assistant Professors Grade II (2016–17: 01, 2017–18: 0, 2018–19: 01). No separate reservation rosters are maintained for Contractual teaching positions.

d. if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefore:

Reply: As per MHRD OM No. F No. 23-1/2008–TS.II, dated 18th August 2009 to be read with OM dated 16th September 2009 fresh PhD candidates with less than 3 years of Post PhD experience are recruited as Assistant Professor Grade II.

e. whether Government is planning to regularise the service of teachers employed on contractual basic; and:

Reply: The Assistant Professors Grade II can apply for a regular position within the Institute.

f. if so, by when?

Reply: Not Applicable.

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LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

FOR REPLY ON 15th JULY, 2019

Reserved Vacancies in IIT/NIT/IISER

3550. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA

KUMAR:

SHRI RAJIV RANJAN

SINGH ALIAS LALAN

SINGH:

SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) total number of regular recruitments done for the post of Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Professors in the Central Government Colleges and Universities, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), National Institute of Technology (NIT), Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Indian Institute of Science, Education and Research (IISER) since 1995 till date, college-wise and University-wise;

(b) the total regular recruitments done in Central Government Colleges/ Universities along with the category-wise details of (UR/OBC/SC/ST) recruitments done since 1995 till date for Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Professors;

(c) the number of employees working on contract basis as Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Professors and

also details of those belonging to UR/OBC/ SC/ST, college-wise and University-wise; and

(d) the duration of appointment of contractual employees and details of sanctioned strength, discipline-wise and category-wise in Central Government Colleges and Universities?

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Information on the LSUSQ 3550 regarding Reserved Vacancies in IIT/ NIT/ IISER

(a) total number of regular recruitments done for the post of Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Professors in the Central Government Colleges and Universities, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), National Institute of Technology (NIT), Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) since 1995 till date, college-wise and University-wise;

Reply: IISER Kolkata has currently 112 regular faculty members (Professor: 28, Associate Professor: 47 and Assistant Professors Gr.-I: 37) recruited under rolling advertisement and special drive.

(b) the total regular recruitments done in the Central Government Colleges / Universities along with the category-wise details of (UR/OBC/SC/ST) recruitments done since 1995 till date for Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Professors;

Reply: UR: 105, OBC: 4, SC: 3, ST: Nil

(c) the number of employees working on contract basis as Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Professors and also the details of those belonging to UR/OBC/SC/ST, college-wise and University-wise;

Reply: Two (2) Assistant Professors Gr.-II are working on contract basis; UR: 1 and SC: 1.

(d) the duration of appointment of contractual employees and details of sanctioned strength, discipline-wise and category wise in Central Government Colleges and Universities.

Reply: The duration of appointment of Assistant Professors Gr.-II is initially for a period of 1 year, to be extended based on satisfactory performance. The faculty positions are sanctioned under flexi-cadre system in IISERs.

(d) It is requested that category-wise -UR, ST, SC and OBC break-up of the sanctioned strength again calculated on the basis of percentage reserved for each category, as applicable to Assistant Professor Grade-I may be sent by email urgently.

Reservation vis-a-vis current strength of Assistant Professors Gr.I & Gr. II at individual Department level:

Department	Current Strength*	UR	SC	ST	OBC	Vacant Position **
Biological Sciences	39	3	2	-	1	15
Chemical Sciences		8	-	-	1	
Earth Sciences		7 [#]	-	-	-	
Mathematics & Statistics		12	1 [#]	-	-	
Physical Sciences		4	-	-	-	

* The total sanctioned strength of faculty post under flexi-cadre system is 135.

** Special Drive was conducted for all the departments between 30th January 2018 to 25th March 2018. Despite best efforts for recruiting Assistant Professors in the mentioned departments from SCs, STs and OBCs with 15%, 7 ½% and 27% reservations respectively, due to non-availability of suitable candidates of these categories, the above vacancies could not be filled-up and hence got de-reserved after one year.

However, this year also the Institute is contemplating to conduct recruitment under Special Drive.

[#] One post of Assistant Professors Gr.II is in each of the Department of Earth Science and Mathematics & Statistics.

Reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Admitted Questions No. 2131 and 2107

2107:

(A) WHETHER IT IS A FACT THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF POSTS IN OBC CATEGORY ARE LYING VACANT IN DIFFERENT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE COUNTRY;

Reply of IISER, Kolkata: Efforts are being made to fill-up the vacant posts.

(B) IF SO, THE DETAILS OF STATUS OF VACANT POSTS, STATE-WISE; AND (C) THE REASONS THEREFOR AND BY WHEN THESE POSTS WOULD BE FILLED UP?

Reply of IISER, Kolkata: Out of 35 posts earmarked for OBC category, 12 posts are already filled-in. 23 nos. of posts reserved for OBC are vacant at present and the same shall be filled-up in the upcoming recruitment exercises.

2131:

(a) the percentage of SC/ST students that are studying in higher education in the country, State/UT-wise;

Reply of IISER, Kolkata: Total students: 1253

SC : 178 (14.2%)

ST : 69 (5.5%)

(b) the details of seats reserved for SC/ ST students in universities under Central Government, University and State-wise?

Reply of IISER, Kolkata: SC: 15%, ST: 7.5% and OBC: 27%, which is as per THE CENTRAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

(RESERVATION IN ADMISSION) ACT, 2006/ GoI guidelines

FTF 598162/19

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTIONS

FOR REPLY ON 08th JULY, 2019

Delay in Land Allotment to Premier
Institutions

*208. SHRIMATI VANGA
GEETHA VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are delays in land allotment which led to severe cost overrun in the construction of premier Institutions like Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), National Institutes of Technology (NITs), Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) for permanent campuses to house Centrally funded educational institutions, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether five IITs in Jammu, Dharwad, Tirupati, Bhilai and Palakkad are still in the process of constructing permanent campuses: and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Data required for Stared Question No. 208 to be answered on 08.07.2019

Name of Institute	Year of Start of academic session	Date of land allotment by the State Govt.	Date of start of construction work	Date of completion of work	Whether functioning on temporary campus or permanent campus	Reason for non completion of work
Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata	2006	07.08.2007	03.10.2009	30.06.2019	Functioning from Permanent Campus	As the construction work is entrusted to CPWD, the delay is due to procedural norms of CPWD

RCE Proposal:

Name of Institute	Year of Sanction of the Institute by the Cabinet	Initial outlay	RCE	Increase in %	Present status of RCE proposal	Budget released as of now to Institute for capital works
Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata	2006	Rs. 500 Cr.	Rs. 963 Cr.	92.6%	Completed	Rs.808 Cr. as on 31/03/19

Student strength and Course detail:

Name of Institute	Student strength sanctioned by the Cabinet	Present student strength	Faculty in position	Non faculty in position	Courses being taught
Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata	2000	1254- already enrolled plus 300 expected to be enrolled by August,2019	113	93	1. 5 Year BS-MS Dual Degree Programme. 2. MS in Space Physics. 3. Integrated PhD Programme. 4. Doctor of Philosophy Programme 5. Post Doctoral Research Programme. Course details appended below.



Course details

1. 5 Year BS-MS Dual Degree Programme

Eligibility: 10+2

Duration: 5 Years (10 Semesters)

Offered Majors: Biological, Chemical, Geological, Mathematical and Physical Sciences.

2. MS in Space Physics

Name of Program: MS in Space Physics

Duration: 2 years (4 semesters)

Eligibility: BE/BTech Graduates (satisfying declared eligibility criteria in the admission call)

Fellowship: As per Government norms

3. Integrated PhD Programme

Eligibility: B.Sc./B.E./B.Tech./M.B.B.S. or an equivalent degree

Offered Majors: Biological, Chemical, Geological, Mathematical and Physical Sciences.

4. Doctor of Philosophy Programme

Eligibility: Masters degree

Selection: Twice a year

Research Areas: Biological, Chemical, Geological, Mathematical and Physical Sciences.

5. Post Doctoral Research Programme

Eligibility: PhD

Selection: Throughout the year

Broad Research Areas: Biological, Chemical, Geological, Mathematical and Physical Sciences.



F.No.14-6/2019-U1A
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 10th July, 2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Rajya Sabha provisionally admitted Starred/Unstarred Question Diary No. S4114 for answer on 18.07.2019 asked by Dr. Vikas Mahatme regarding mental health higher education institutions.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the above mentioned provisionally admitted Rajya Sabha Question. The text of the question is as follows:

- (a) the number of counsellors of psychologists working in Higher Educational Institutions (HEI);
- (b) the average number of Counsellors or psychologists per HEI; and
- (c) the steps being taken to improve mental health workforce in HEIs?

2. It is requested to provide part-wise inputs for preparing reply of the above mentioned question, urgently. A copy of the input may also be emailed at u1a.he.mhrd@gmail.com.

DD (Sci)

V. Sagar Rai

(Vidya Sagar Rai)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
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Pl. seek information.

Shwetha Rao
12/7

ASO(Shilpa)

Reply to Rajya Sabha Provisionally admitted Starred/Unstarred Question Diary No.S 4114

a) No. of counselors or psychologists working in IISER, Kolkata:

Reply: IISER, Kolkata has two nos. counselors in Mind Care and Wellness Centre (MCWC) and one clinical Psychologist in Medical Centre.

b) The average number of Counselors or psychologists per HEI:

Reply: Not Applicable to IISER, Kolkata.

c) The steps being taken to improve mental health of workforce in IISER, Kolkata:

Reply: IISER, Kolkata has formed Mind Care and Wellness Centre (MCWC) to do the following:

Individual Counselling

The counseling space is a zone of non-judgment and confidentiality, where students can unburden themselves without criticism and pressure. Individual psychotherapy is available to all the students where the Clinical Psychologist and Counsellors take measures to help the student.

Intake appointments are scheduled with students at times and dates which are convenient to them, depending on their academic commitments.

The goal of the first session is to help the student identify the issues that are causing them the most concern and if a student wishes to continue in counseling.

Psychological Assessment

In specific cases where more precise diagnoses are required psychological assessments are conducted. These tests help as a guideline to understand the student's problem in a deeper level to provide guidance.

Workshops and Events

The centre aims to organize workshop, orientation programs and seminars for students and mentors to deal with issues related to stigma for counseling, issues when students can seek counseling, how to deal with stress, anxiety, relationship issues and mental health in general.

The team organizes various events on occasions like Mental Health Day, International Happiness Day and World Suicide Prevention Day.

Other details are given in the website: <https://www.iiserkol.ac.in/~mcwc/>