

**Bogus Educational Institutions/Universities**

537. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the bogus educational Institutions/Universities functioning in the country; and

(b) whether Government would consider giving periodical publicity of such details for the benefit of public?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) According to the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), there are 17 self-styled Universities/Institutions which have been operating illegally and in violation of the UGC Act,

1986 through out the country. A list of such fake universities is enclosed in the statement. (See below). However, the status of another institution Bhartiya Shiksha Parishad, (U.P.) Open Vishwavidyalaya, Lucknow (U.P.) is sub-judice.

(b) At the beginning of each academic session, the UGC issues a press release in the leading National Dailies advising the aspiring students, wardens and the public at large, not to pursue Higher Education courses with such self-styled Universities/Vishwavidyalayas which are functioning unauthorisedly in different parts of the country. The last Press release was issued on 17.6.1998.

**Statement***List of fake Educational Institutions/Universities*

1. Maithili University/Vishwavidyalaya, Darbhanga, Bihar.
2. Mahila Gram Vidyapith/Vishwavidyalaya, (Women's University), Prayag, Allahabad (U.P.)
3. Varanaseya Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya, Varanasi (U.P.) jagatpur-Delhi. |

4. Commercial University Ltd., Darya Ganj, Delhi.

5. Indian Education Council of U.P., Lucknow (U.P.).

6. Gandhi Hindi Vidyapith, Prayag, Allahabad (U.P.).

7. National University of Electro complex Homeopathy, Kanpur.

8. Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose University (Open University) Achaltal, Aligarh (U.P.)

9. D.D.B. Sanskrit University, Putur, Trichi, Tamil Nadu.

10. St. John's University, Kishanattam, Kerala.

11. National University, Nagpur.

12. United Nations University, Delhi.

13. Vocational University, Delhi.

14. Uttar Pradesh Vishwavidyalaya, Kosi Kalan, Mathura, (U.P.).

15. Maharana Pratap Shiksha Niketan Vishwavidyalaya Pratapgarh, (U.P.).

16. Raja Arabic University, Nagpur.

17. Urdu University, Motia Park, Bhopal.

NOTES: Status of Bhartiya Shiksha Parishad (U.P.) Open Vishwavidyalaya, Lucknow (U.P.) is sub-judice and the Hon'ble Court has on 18 Nov., 1998, restrained the U.G.C. from calling, declaring or otherwise treating the Bhartiya Shiksha Parishad as "Fake University" pending final decision in the suit.

**बाल अधिकारों की रक्षा की योजनाएं**

538. श्री नरेन्द्र मोहन : क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) बाल अधिकारों की रक्षा के लिए भारत सरकार की योजनाओं का ब्यौरा क्या है, और

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि भारत में बाल श्रमिकों की संख्या लगातार बढ़ती जा रही है और लगभग तीन