Guidelines to deemed universities

3397. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has issued a set of new guidelines for deemed universities to give the details regarding available seats, faculty employed and other details in their website for the use of general public; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. In order to curb commercialization and maintain standards in higher education, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has amended the existing UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2010 and issued the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) (Amendment) Regulations 2014. According to Clause 6.5 of these amended Regulations, every Institution Deemed to be University shall publish, before expiry of sixty days prior to the date of the commencement of admission to any of its courses or programmes of study, a prospectus containing the following information on its website, and the attention of the prospective students and the general public shall be drawn to such publication on the website through advertisements displayed prominently in the different newspapers and through other media:

- each component of the fee, deposits and other charges payable by the students admitted to such institution for pursuing a course or a programme of study, and the other terms and conditions of such payment;
- (ii) the percentage of tuition fee and other charges refundable to a student admitted in such institution in case such student withdraws from such institution before or after completion of course or programme of study and the time within, and the manner in, which such refund shall be made to the student;
- (iii) the number of seats approved in respect of each course or programme of study for the academic year for which admission is proposed to be made;
- (iv) the conditions of eligibility including the minimum and maximum age limit
 of persons for admission as a student in a particular course or programme of
 study, where so specified by the institution;
- (v) the educational qualifications specified by the relevant statutory authority/

- body, or by the institution, where no such qualifying standards have been specified by any statutory authority;
- (vi) the process of admission and selection of eligible candidates applying for such admission, including all relevant information in regard to the details of test or examination for selecting such candidates for admission to each course or programme of study and the amount of fee to be paid for the admission test;
- (vii) details of the teaching faculty, including therein the educational qualifications and teaching experience of every member of its teaching faculty and also indicating therein whether such member is on regular basis or visiting basis;
- (viii) the minimum pay and other emoluments payable for each category of teachers and other employees;
- (ix) information in regard to physical and academic infrastructure and other facilities including hostel accommodation, library, hospital or industry wherein the practice training to be imparted to the students and in particular the facilities accessible by students on being admitted to the institution;
- (x) broad outline of the syllabus specified by the appropriate statutory body or by institution, as the case may be, for every course or programme of study, including the teaching hours, practical sessions and other assignments; and
- (xi) all relevant instructions in regard to maintaining the discipline by students within or outside the campus of the institution, and, in particular, such discipline relating to prohibition of ragging of any student or students and the consequences thereof and for violating the provisions of any regulation in this behalf made under the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 or any other law for the time being in force.

Central universities in Uttar Pradesh

†3398. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Central universities in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) whether opening of new Central universities would be considered in the State, if the number of Central universities is less as per its population;

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.