

The Central Government has launched an integrated scheme, for school education named as Samagra Shiksha w.e.f. 2018-19, which subsumes the three erstwhile Centrally Sponsored schemes of school education *i.e.* Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Teacher Education (CSSTE). Under Samagra Shiksha scheme there is provision for self defence training for girls @ ₹ 9000 per school for schools having girls students in classes VI to XII.

(c) The number of schools where self defence training for girl students of classes IX to XII has been approved during the last three years is given below.

Year	No. of schools approved	Amount approved (₹ in lakh)
2015-16	49517	4062.02
2016-17	57500	4880.75
2017-18	63409	5580.81

Course on Islamic Terrorism

1020. SHRI JOSE K. MANI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jawaharlal Nehru University Registrar has refuted wild speculations on JNU starting a course on Islamic Terrorism at the University;

(b) whether General Secretary of Jamiat Ulema-e-Hind had expressed displeasure at such a proposal saying that the reported attempt is a deep-rooted conspiracy to malign the image of Islam;

(c) whether the Registrar, JNU, has also briefed the Delhi Minority Commissioner enclosing a copy of the concept paper on the proposed Centre for National Security Studies to be set up in JNU; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH): (a) Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) has informed that the Registrar of the University has refuted wild speculations on JNU offering a course on "Islamic terrorism" at the University.

(b) A letter dated 22.5.2018 from the General Secretary of Jamiat Ulema-e-Hind expressing concern on course on "Islamic Terrorism" within Centre for National Security Studies (CNSS) was received by JNU and in response thereto a factual reply was sent by the Registrar on 25.6.2018.

(c) and (d) Registrar, JNU has also responded to a notice served by the Delhi Minorities Commission in the matter and clarified that the objective of the Centre for National Security Studies Centre (CNSS) is to train the students in a unique way to explore and unravel factors and forces shaping security challenges. The CNSS aims at developing a place to produce world class security specialists who can engage with the complexity of modern day security challenges.

Autonomy to State and Central Universities

1021. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether overregulation of Indian Universities has stifled their potential to grow and this has led to a shortage in quality institutions of higher learning;

(b) if not, the reasons for the current state of affairs in these educational institutions;

(c) whether Government has any proposal to create more autonomous institutions on the lines of IITs and IIMs and is also thinking of giving a significant degree of autonomy to the existing State and Central Universities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH): (a) and (b) University Grants Commission, having mandate to promote and coordinate university education, has been taking lead in the recent past towards introducing reforms in the field of higher education. As a part of the reforms, UGC has notified the University Grants Commission (Categorisation of Universities (Only) for Grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2018 to grant academic, administrative and financial autonomy to the Universities.

Under these Regulations, the Universities/Deemed to be Universities have been classified into Category I, Category II and Category III based on their accreditation under NAAC / Ranks in World Ranking.