

Provision of ₹ 10,000 crore to top twenty universities

2306. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of ranks of universities in the country;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government is going to provide ₹ 10,000 crore to top twenty universities in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any universities have been selected from Telangana; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and how much money is going to be provided to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH): (a) The Ministry released the Indian Rankings 2017 and ranked top 100 overall Institutions, 100 Universities, 100 Engineering, 100 Colleges, 50 Management and 50 Pharmacy colleges in the country based on the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF). The details of these are available at NIRF website <https://www.nirfindia.org/Ranking>.

(b) to (e) No Universities/Institutions will be provided financial assistance by the Government as per the Indian Rankings. However, the Government has approved the scheme of providing Regulatory Architecture for setting up/upgrading of 20 Institutions (10 from public sector and 10 from private sector) as world class teaching and research institutions called as 'Institutions of Eminence' (IoEs). The Regulatory Architecture has been provided in the form of UGC (Declaration of Government Institutions as Institutions of Eminence) Guidelines, 2017 for public Institutions and UGC (Institutions of Eminence Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2017 for private Institutions. Under this scheme, the Government Institutions should be in top 50 of NIRF rankings 2016 or 2017 in any category to be eligible for making application for IoE. Each Public Institution selected as IoE will be provided financial assistance up to ₹ 1000 crore over a period of five years.

For selection of IoEs, 114 applications (74 from public sector and 40 from private sector) have been received in the Ministry.