

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK'): (a) and (b) No such centralised mechanism exist in this Ministry for collection/compilation of data on the number of students learning Sanskrit and registered teachers in Sanskrit. As such the information is being collected and shall be furnished to the house.

(c) The details of degree courses available in Sanskrit are as under:—

Sl.No.	Specified degrees	Level
1.	Shastri/Shastri(Hons.)	B.A.
2.	Acharya	M.A.
3.	Shiksha Shastri	B.Ed.
4.	Shiksha Acharya	M.Ed.
5.	Vishistacharya	M.Phil.
6.	Vidya Varidhi	Ph.D.
7.	Vachaspati	D.Litt.

(d) At present no such proposal is under the consideration of the Government.

Latest vacancy position in Central Universities

2965. SHRI NARAIN DASS GUPTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many seats among teaching positions are vacant in Central Universities as of 31 March, 2020;

(b) the average time for which a teaching post in a Central University remains vacant; and

(c) the methodology of computing the same?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK'): (a) As per information made available by University Grants Commission (UGC), as on 01.03.2020 a total of 6386 teaching positions were vacant in 40 Central Universities under the purview of Ministry of Human Resource

Development (MHRD) and 155 teaching posts are vacant in Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU).

(b) and (c) The incidence and filling up of vacancies is an ongoing and continuous process which goes round the year. The vacancy position is computed on the basis of total number of persons in position out of total sanctioned positions. UGC has prepared the Guidelines for Recruitment of Faculty in Universities, Colleges and Institutions Deemed to be Universities outlining the selection procedure and the time frame for recruitment which has been circulated to all Universities on 4th June, 2019 for its adherence.

Vacancy of teachers in higher education institutions

2966. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the sanctioned strength of teachers in higher education institutions of the country, institution-wise and State-wise including Central University Gulbarga, Karnataka;

(b) the number of faculty vacancies in higher education institutions, including Central University Gulbarga, Karnataka;

(c) the steps taken by Government to fill up these vacancies along with details and timeline thereof;

(d) whether Government has received any information/complaints regarding the phenomenon of 'inbreeding', where students graduating out of a university are appointed as faculty at the same university affecting merit and diversity and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by Government to eliminate this practice of 'inbreeding'?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK'): (a) and (b) The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that 6832 teaching posts in Central Universities under purview of the Ministry were vacant as on 01.08.2019, out of which 934 posts have been filled up till 24.01.2020. A detailed Central University-wise statement of sanctioned strength and vacant posts of the teachers as on 01.01.2020 can be accessed at <https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/>