GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2610 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2021

Financial assistance for the development of AMU Centre at Malappuram

2610 SHRI ABDUL WAHAB:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is committed to the development of the Aligarh Muslim University Centre at Malappuram;
- (b) if so, the efforts made by Government for the development of AMU Centre at Malappuram during the last six years;
- (c) the details of funds allocated for the development; and
- (d) whether Government is ready to allocate an amount of 300 crore as immediate help for the capital asset development of the Centre?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) to (d): The University Grants Commission (UGC) released an amount of Rs. 60.00 crores for under 12th Plan for establishment of AMU Centre at Malappuram, Kerala. Thereafter, the budget of Malappuram Centre alongwith other two centres of AMU for recurring expenditure have been merged with the regular establishment budget of the Aligarh Muslim University from the year 2018-19 and the salary and recurring expenditure of staff of AMU Centres is being met from the allocation made by the UGC to the University.

Further, for funding the creation of capital assets including development of site, purchase of equipments & furniture, etc. in higher education institutions including Central Universities, the Government has set up the Higher Education Funding Agency (HEFA). This Ministry has already requested the Registrar, AMU, to submit the proposal for the requirement of capital funds on loan basis from HEFA for the AMU Centres including Malappuram Centre. However, so far no proposal has been received from the University seeking funds under HEFA for AMU Centre, Malappuram.
