GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1338

TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2022

SPECIAL COURSE FOR STUDENTS RETURNED FROM UKRAINE

1338. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA:

Will the Minister of **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS** be pleased to state

- (a) whether it is a fact that due to Russia-Ukraine Crisis, many of the Indian students who were studying in Ukraine has to hastily exit the country in emergency;
- (b) if so, the current position of these students;
- (c) whether Government is considering obtaining the necessary clearance from Ukraine government and establish special courses for these students in Indian universities;
- (d) if so, by when these clearances will be obtained; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SMT. MEENAKASHI LEKHI)

(a) to (e) Approximately 20,000 Indian students returned from Ukraine to India as a consequence of the ongoing-conflict in that country. Their further studies have understandably been a matter of concern. We have been in touch with educational authorities in Ukraine in this context. The Ukrainian side has essentially reiterated its willingness to continue online courses. The ground situation in that country currently does not permit the return of Indian students. We continue to remain engaged on this matter.
