

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1944  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2022**

**Steps for interaction with academia and industries with regard to higher education**

**1944 Shri Bhubaneswar Kalita:**

Will the Minister of **Education** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is taking any step for interaction with academia and industry with regard to higher education, if so, the response from the industries;
- (b) what steps have been taken by Government to set up Universities in North-Eastern States in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode with the support of industry, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) how many private Universities have been set up in North-Eastern States during last five years?

**ANSWER  
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(a) to (c): National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 stipulates Industry Academia linkages and association in the matter of Multidisciplinary Education, Research and Innovation, Setting up of Startup and incubation centres, offering vocational education, Internship, Scholarship etc. In this regard, various Awareness workshops, Industry-academia interaction workshops have been organized. All India Council for Technical Education has developed a portal where more than 50200 industries have registered for providing internships in different domains.

During the last five years, 11 Private Universities have been included in the UGC's list of Private Universities from the North-Eastern regions. However, no Private University has been set up in North-Eastern States under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode by this Ministry.

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