GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Record of Paper leaks

178. SHRI HARIS BEERAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government keeps any record of paper leaks in examinations conducted by central agencies;
- (b) if so, the details of such paper leaks in the last five years;
- (c) whether Government has taken any steps for conducting enquiry on the working of National Testing Agency due to rise in complaint of mismanagement; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (d) Competitive Examinations are conducted by different bodies for Recruitment as well as for admission to Higher Educational Institutions. Data regarding examination specific incidents is not maintained centrally in the Ministry.

NTA was established in 2018 as a specialised body to conduct examinations for entrance to Higher Education Institutions. Since its inception, NTA has conducted over 240 examinations involving more than 5.4 crore students. Further, to suggest effective measures for transparent, smooth and fair conduct of examinations by the NTA, the Ministry of Education has constituted a seven member High-Level Committee of Experts, headed by Dr. K. Radhakrishnan, former Chairman ISRO and Chairman BoG, IIT Kanpur to make recommendations on Reforms in mechanism of examination process, Improvement in Data Security protocols and Structure and functioning of NTA.
