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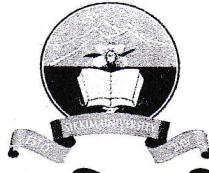
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Subject: **Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question no 36 to be answered on 02.02.2022 regarding "Funds for NEP"**

Q. (a)	<i>total funds allocated for National Education Policy (NEP) since its adoption for implementation; and</i>
Reply	No specific allocation for NEP but the expenditure is met out of Recurring Grant (OH-31) allocated for the F.Y. 2021-22.
Q. (b)	<i>total funds utilized so far for NEP and the success achieved thereof?</i>
Reply	<p>₹2,52,919/- (committed liabilities) have been incurred towards NEP till 31.01.2022.</p> <p>In total compliance with the directions of the Ministry of Education, GoI, Sikkim University has initiated the implementation of the National Education Policy-2020. It has constituted an empowered committee viz., National Educational Policy Implementation Committee of Sikkim University (NEPCSU) along with several sub-committees for the fast and effective enactment. University has also tied up with the Centre for Education and Social Studies (CESS), Bangalore – an organization that played an active role in NEP-2020 drafting for hand-holding.</p> <p>The progress so far in implementation of NEP-2020 is as follows;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Multiple Entry and Exit Systems (MEME):</b> The NEPCSU has conducted several meetings with the college principals for initiating a four-year degree program with the MEME option. The colleges have constituted college-level committees that are working on various aspects of its implementation including curriculum and IDP development.</li><li><b>Multidisciplinary and Interdisciplinary courses (MEES):</b> The colleges under Sikkim University are multidisciplinary offering courses in Arts, Humanities, Language &amp; Literature, and Science on one campus. The development of interdisciplinary courses is being carried out based on the available infrastructure and human resources. Towards this, a meeting with the Additional Chief Secretary (Education), Govt. of Sikkim has been conducted for enabling the necessary infrastructure in colleges run by the Govt. of Sikkim. Curriculum revision has been undertaken and is expected to be over by May-June 2022.</li><li><b>Adoption of SWAYAM regulations for credit transfer:</b> A subcommittee under NEPCSU is examining this issue. The committee is expected to submit full report in the next one month. Action will be initiated soon after that.</li><li><b>Adoption and Apprenticeship/Internship Embedded degree programs guidelines:</b> Sikkim is a small state where the availability of Industries is scarce. However, NEPCSU is examining the feasibility and will come up with an action plan. A subcommittee under NEPCSU which is examining this issue has held several meetings so far and has come up with the framework. A detailed report is expected in a month's time.</li><li><b>Adoption of Learning outcome-based Curriculum Framework (LOCF):</b> CESS, Bangalore has been training our faculty members (of colleges and universities) for developing the LOCF. The work is in progress. An MoU has been signed with the CESS for developing LOCF framework for Sikkim University. A Three-day workshop on capacity building in NEP implementation has been completed from 7-10 December 2021.</li></ol>

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Date: 03/02/2022

To,

Shri V. Talreja  
Under Secretary  
University Grants Commission  
Ministry of Education, Govt. of India  
Bahadurshah Zafar Marg,  
New Delhi-110002

**Subject: Lok Sabha Unstarred/starred Parliament Question No. 910 to be answered on 07.02.2022 regarding "Consultations Advisors in Education Ministry.**

Dear Sir,

This has reference to your letter No.F.65-15/2022(CU) dated 01.02.2022 on the above subject, please find below the response to the Lok Sabha Unstarred/starred Parliament Question in respect to Sikkim University:

Sl.No.	Question	Reply
a)	The total number of consultants/advisors engaged in Sikkim University;	Nil
b)	The number of consultants/advisors engaged against regular posts;	Nil
c)	The number of these engaged against temporarily posts or under the schemes run by the Ministry	Nil
d)	The number of these consultant's or advisor's salary/remuneration which are not charged against the consolidated fund of India	NA
e)	The number of these employees/consultants belonging to UR/OBC/SC/ST categories scheme-wise/Institution-wise	NA
f)	The details of tenure of these employees/consultants as in above with break or without break scheme-wise/institution-wise	NA
g)	Whether any constitutional provisions of reservation rosters are being followed while making these appointments; and	NA
h)	If no, then under which Act/Rule/order of the Government these constitutional provisions have been superseded?	NA

Yours sincerely,

  
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Subject: **Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.890 to be answered on 07.02.2022**  
regarding "Promotion of Education and Research"

Q. (a)	<i>whether Government has taken any steps for promotion of higher education and research study in rural areas and small cities of the country;</i>
Reply	Yes
Q. (b)	<i>if so, the details thereof; and</i>
Reply	Sikkim University has opened extension centres for PG Departments in Government Affiliated Colleges which are located at small towns/semi-urban areas of Sikkim. The purpose of these extension centres is to cater higher education to the students residing at rural and remote areas of Sikkim from their own place. Sikkim University is situated at the capital city Gangtok and most of the students from poor families of Sikkim mainly residing at rural areas are not able to afford the daily expenses while staying at Gangtok. Hence, many of them do not continue their studies after Graduation. However, these extension centres have facilitated these students to pursue higher education.
Q. (c)	<i>the number of new Universities/institutes/research centres opened in small cities during the last three years, State/UT-wise?</i>
Reply	NA

  
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Subject: **Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 824 to be answered on 09.02.2022 regarding "Financial assistance to Universities/ Institutions for conducting research"**

Q. (a)	<i>whether the Ministry has given any financial assistance to Universities/ Institutions for conducting research on International Relations?</i>
Reply	No such financial assistance has been received by Sikkim University from the Ministry of Education for conducting research on International Relations.

  
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Date: 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022

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Under Secretary  
University Grants Commission  
Bahadurshah Zafar Marg  
New Delhi - 110 002

Subject: **Rajya Sabha Unstarred Parliament Question No. 825 to be answered on 09.02.2022 regarding "Harassment in Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs)"**

Dear Sir,

This has reference to your letter F.No.65-35/2022 (CU) dated 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 on the above subject. Please find below the response to the Rajya Sabha unstarred Parliament Question in respect to Sikkim University.

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a	Whether all Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) have established Internal Complaints Committees (ICCs) and if not, the details of Colleges that have not done so with the reasons therefor;	In pursuance to Section 4 of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal Act) 2013 read with Section 4 of the UGC (Prevention, prohibition and redressal of sexual harassment of women employees and students in higher educational institutions) Regulations 2015, the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) of Sikkim University was constituted on the 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 to act as inquiry authority on complaints of sexual harassment and to take proactive measures towards sensitization of students, staff and faculty members on gender issues.																										
b	Whether University Grants Commission (UGC) has taken any action against the HEIs that have failed to comply with the formation of the committee and if so, the details thereof;	NA																										
c	Whether the ICCs prepare annual status report and submit the report to the UGC;	The status reports of ICC are submitted to the UGC when sought.																										
d	If so, the details thereof along with number of cases filed and disposed of in the last four years, State/UT-wise and College-wise?	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">2017-18</th> <th colspan="2">2018-19</th> <th colspan="2">2019-20</th> <th colspan="2">2020-21</th> <th rowspan="2">Total</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Filed</th> <th>Disposed</th> <th>Filed</th> <th>Disposed</th> <th>Filed</th> <th>Disposed</th> <th>Filed</th> <th>Disposed</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>2</td> <td>2</td> <td>4</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	2017-18		2018-19		2019-20		2020-21		Total	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed	1	1	0	0	1	1	2	2	4
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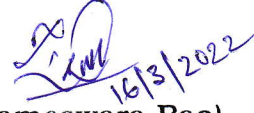
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Subject: **Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 8570 to be answered on 21.03.2022 regarding "Foreign Universities' Campuses in India"**

Q. (a)	<i>whether a number of foreign universities are interested in setting up their international campuses in India;</i>
Reply	Not applicable
Q. (b)	<i>if so, the details thereof, country-wise;</i>
Reply	Not applicable
Q. (c)	<i>the extent to which the international campuses would help the Indian students to pursue their higher studies; and</i>
Reply	Not applicable
Q. (d)	<i>the time by when the new campuses are likely to be set up?</i>
Reply	Not applicable

  
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Subject: **Provisionally Admitted Rajya Sabha Starred/Unstarred Diary No. S4670 for answer on 30.03.2022 regarding specialised course in Graphic Design / visual communication**

Q. (a)	<i>whether Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) and National Institute of Design (NID) are providing two years Master Degree Courses in Graphic Design/ Visual communication, if so, the number of such IIT/NID with details; and</i>
Reply	Not applicable
Q. (b)	<i>whether Government is considering this specialised course to be introduced in North Eastern Regional Institute of Science and Technology (NERIST), Itanagar, Silchar, Tezpur University and other Central Universities/Institutes of North Eastern States; if so, the details of action taken by Government.</i>
Reply	Sikkim University at present has no plans in introducing two years Master Degree Courses in Graphic Design/Visual communication.

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Date: 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022

To

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Bahadurshah Zafar Marg  
New Delhi - 110 002

Subject: **Rajya Sabha Parliament Question Diary No. 3051 to be answered on 30.3.2022 regarding "Reservation in BHU, Varanasi"**

Dear Sir,

This has reference to your letter No. F.65-106/2022 (CU) dated 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022 on the above subject. Please find below the response to the Rajya Sabha Parliament Question in respect to Sikkim University.

Q (a)	<i>Whether any reservation is given to wards of employees, foreign nationals, Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) and Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs) in Banaras Hindu University (BHU), Varanasi;</i>
Reply	Sikkim University reserves 10% seats for foreign nationals during admission. However, applicants belonging to countries like Afghanistan, Bangladesh, China, Myanmar and Pakistan may be allowed provided it is specifically recommended by the Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR), Govt. of India under exchange programme.
Q (b)	<i>Whether Central Universities have a provision for corresponding reservations being extended by Government; and</i>
Reply	Yes
Q (c)	<i>The details of the Central Universities in the country where admission is offered under the said provision?</i>
Reply	Sikkim University follows the reservations policy of Government of India/UGC, as announced from time to time, during admission and recruitment.

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Subject: **Lok Sabha Unstarred Question Diary No. 16157 to be answer on  
04.04.2022 regarding Hostels in Central Universities**

Q. (a)	<i>whether the number of hostels in Central Universities is sufficient in proportionate to the number of students and if so, the details thereof;</i>
Reply	Five boys and five girls hostels are presently functioning in Sikkim University.
Q. (b)	<i>the details of number of students in each Central University and total number of hostel rooms;</i>
Reply	At present, 107 students are staying in the boys' and girls' hostels which mainly comprises of MPhil/PhD and final year PG students. More students shall be availing hostels once physical classes for other batch of students' resume. There are total 97 rooms in girls' hostels and 104 rooms in boys' hostels.
Q. (c)	<i>whether there have been demands from students of Central Universities for more hostel accommodation and if so, the details thereof;</i>
Reply	No such demands have been received from the students of Sikkim University.
Q. (d)	<i>the steps taken by the Government to provide adequate hostel rooms and hostel facilities for students of Central Universities and if so, the details thereof;</i>
Reply	Sikkim University at its permanent campus at Yangang, South Sikkim is constructing 4 hostels (2 each for boys and girls) and each hostel comprises of 87 rooms with double seater accommodation.
Q.(e)	<i>whether the Government has taken up the matter of inadequate hostels with Central Universities and if so, the details thereof;</i>
Reply	NA
Q. (f)	<i>the number of new hostels constructed during each of the last three years; and</i>
Reply	Nil
Q. (g)	<i>the steps taken by the Government to help and support the construction of new hostels by the Central Universities and if so, the details thereof?</i>
Reply	NA

  
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Subject: **Rajya Sabha Question Diary No. S643 to be answered on 20.07.2022 regarding "NEP in Universities"**

Q. (a)	<i>whether the National Education Policy (NEP) is going to be implemented in the ensuing 2022-23 academic session across the country;</i>
Reply	NA
Q. (b)	<i>how many of the total number of Universities in the country have confirmed their readiness for implementing the NEP from the ensuing session</i>
Reply	Sikkim University is ready for the NEP implementation in UG programs run by the university departments.
Q.(c)	<i>whether the Undergraduate Curriculum Framework for the four-year Undergraduate Programme (FYUP) has been prepared and approved by these universities; and</i>
Reply	Sikkim University has prepared the UG curriculum for the first three semesters. We are waiting for the final CFCS guidelines from the UGC for framing syllabus for the remaining semesters.
Q.(d)	<i>whether a verification has been done?</i>
Reply	NA

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Subject: **Lok Sabha Starred Question Diary No. 308 to be answered on 18.07.2022 regarding "Funds for New Education Policy"**

Q. (a)	<i>the total fund allocated for National Education Policy (NEP) since its adoption for its proper implementation;</i>
Reply	There is no fund specifically allocated for NEP. But the expenditure for National Education Policy (NEP) is met, out of Recurring Grant (OH-31) allocated to the University for the F.Y. 2021-22 & 2022-23. University will make allotment of fund under NEP while submitting RBE – 2022-23 to the UGC.
Q. (b)	<i>the total fund spent and utilized so far for NEP and the success achieved by the Government till June, 2022 therein; and</i>
Reply	An amount of ₹3,14,479/- has been spent for NEP since inception till June, 2022.
Q.(c)	<i>the details of programme to complete technical and to educate teachers before implementation of NEP therefor?</i>
Reply	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. One-day Deliberation and Panel Discussion on Draft New Education Policy 2019 was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2019 organized by the Department of Education, Sikkim University.</li><li>2. Webinar on "Understanding the NEP 2020" on held on 08.08.2020 was organized by the Department of Education, Sikkim University.</li><li>3. Webinar on One Year of NEP 2020- Reviews and strategies for implementation in Higher Education was held on 14.08.2021 was organized by the Department of Education, Sikkim University.</li><li>4. Sikkim University has entered into an MoU with Centre for Educational and Social Studies (CESS), Bangalore for training our faculty members (of colleges and universities) in NEP implementation. A Three-day workshop on capacity building in NEP implementation has been completed from 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Several capacity building initiatives has been envisaged for the current year as well.</li></ol>

  
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Subject: **Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 39 to be answered on 20.07.2022 regarding "Resumption of regular offline classes in Central Universities"**

Dear Sir,

This has reference to your letter No. F.65-165/2022 (CU) dated 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022 on the above subject. Please find below the response to the Rajya Sabha Parliament Question in respect to Sikkim University.

Sl. No.	Question	University's Reply
a	Whether it is a fact that many of the Central Universities including Jawaharlal Nehru University are currently running classes in online mode;	Sikkim University is presently running on Hybrid Mode - offline mode for final semester students and online mode for intermediate semester students. <b>From the upcoming academic session, i.e., 2022-23, the University will be fully opened for offline classes for all semesters.</b>
b	The list of Central Universities that have not fully opened its classes offline for its students;	Sikkim University is one of the Central Universities that has not fully opened offline classes for students. However, from the upcoming academic session starting from 29.08.2022, the offline classes for all students will be fully opened.
c	The reason for these Central Universities for not conducting classes in regular offline mode;	COVID restrictions imposed by the State/Central Government and its impact on accommodation in hostel. Sikkim University is operating from rented buildings and because of limited space at hostel, the students could not be accommodated following the COVID guidelines/protocols.
d	Whether it is also a fact that School of International; Studies (SIS) at Jawaharlal Nehru University is currently not willing to conduct their classes in offline mode: and	Not applicable
e	If so, the reason for decision to continue the classes in online mode:	Not Applicable

Yours sincerely,

  
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