## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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## Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved any proposal for making Motihari and Nalanda of Bihar as educational hubs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

## **Answer**

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (c): No, Madam. At present no such proposal is pending with the Central Government. However, in order to revive the ancient Nalanda University, the Central Government has established the Nalanda University as an international institution of academic excellence in Rajgir, Bihar. The Central Government has also established the Mahatma Gandhi Central University, with its territorial jurisdiction extending to the territory in the north of the river Ganges in the state of Bihar vide the Central Universities (Amendment) Act, 2014.