

Title: Need to treat at par the academicians working in Universities and those in colleges in remote areas for the purpose of granting scholarship of Professor Emeritus - Laid.

SHRI Y.V. RAO (GUNTUR) : University Grants Commission gives Scholarship of Professor Emeritus to outstanding academicians. I, however, take this opportunity to mention here that UGC gives this scholarship to only those professors and academicians who have worked in the university and retired. But, there are some people who work in colleges in small towns and rural areas and do outstanding research in their subject. But UGC is not encouraging such research scholars by giving professor emeritus ship. Our effort should be to promote research in small places and this is one such area of operation, which should be looked into.

I, therefore, urge upon the Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development to kindly look into the matter and do justice to the outstanding academicians who work in remote places and retire and give professor emeritus ship to some of the deserving candidates. This will go a long way in encouraging research activities in rural and remote areas.