

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1470
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.07.2019**

New Central Universities

1470. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHANA RAJU:

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to establish 13 new Central Universities in the country and is allocating Rs. 3600 crores for their infrastructure facilities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any such universities are being established in the State of Andhra Pradesh, as per AP reorganisation Act, 2014;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the quantum of funds allocated for the same?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank')**

(a)to (e) No, Sir. At present, there is no proposal to set up a new Central University in the country. However, the Andhra Pradesh Re-organisation Act 2014 envisages for establishment of one Central Tribal University each in the State of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana and one Central University in the successor state of Andhra Pradesh. Further, the Prime Minister announced a package for Bihar on 18.8.2015 which includes establishment of a Central University near Bhagalpur at the historic site of Vikramshila University. There is provision of Rs 450 crore and Rs. 420 crore for meeting the first phase expenditure towards establishment of the Central University and Central Tribal University in Andhra Pradesh respectively.

Earlier, the Cabinet had approved the Revised Cost Estimates (RCE) of the 13 new Central Universities established under CU Act, 2009 which inter-alia included incurring an expenditure of Rs. 3639.32 crore for recurring expenditure and creation of necessary infrastructure for the period from 2018-19 to 2020-21.
