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**Sub: Draft material reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 62 for 02.02.2017 asked by Shri Amar Singh regarding "Interview for Admission in JNU".**


Sir,

Please refer to your e-mail dated 30.01.2017 on the subject cited above.

As desired, the draft reply to the aforesaid Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question is enclosed herewith for further action at your end.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

  
(YASHWANT SINGH)  
Officer on Special Duty

**Encl:** As above.

**CC:**

- Shri P.K. Singh, Under Secretary, MHRD, New Delhi.
- Sh. V. Talreja, Section Officer, UGC, New Delhi.

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**Q. (a) Whether it is a fact that the Jawaharlal Nehru University has recently decided that the admission to research courses like M.Phil. and Ph.D. would be based on interview from the next year with entrance test being reduced to a qualifying examination in which the student is required to bag a minimum score of 50 per cent;**

Reply (a): As per the recent UGC Regulations 2016 published in Gazette of India of 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 all Central Universities/Higher Educational Institutes are required to follow the regulations for the purpose of granting admission to various programmes of study. Accordingly, JNU being a Central University shall have to follow the above said UGC regulations for granting admissions in the University to various programmes of study including M.Phil. and Ph.D. programmes.

**Q. (b) If so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and**

Reply (b): Please refer to reply (a) above.

**Q. (c) Whether there has been any protest from student unions against it and if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?**

Reply (c): Various students organizations have staged demonstration and sat on hunger strikes in protest against certain provisions of 2016 UGC notification on M.Phil./Ph.D. Admission. The Administration officials are in constant dialogues with them as well as teachers to clarify doubts and resolve contentious issues.

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