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Sub: Draft material reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question Diary No. 7186 for 29.07.2015 regarding “Sexual Harassment Cases”.

Dear Sir,

Please refer to your email dated 22.07.2015 on the subject cited above.

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

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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Encl: As above.

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Q. (a) the details of cases of sexual harassment, molestation and rape reported in higher educational institutions during the last three years and the current year, State-wise, year-wise and university/college-wise;

Reply: Details of cases reported in the GSCASH for last three years and the current year is as under: -

Year	No. of cases reported
2012	15
2013	11
2014	19
2015 (24/07/2015)	15

Q. (b) the number of students committed suicide due to such cases during the above period, State-wise, year-wise and university/college-wise;

Reply: Nil

Q. (c) whether Internal Complaints Committees are mandated in universities and colleges as per the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 and if so, the details thereof;

Reply: The JNU has a very effective policy of zero tolerance in campus for gender based violence and harassment. In this respect, Gender Sensitization Committee against Sexual Harassment (GSCASH) has properly designed Rules and Procedures laid down on the recommendations of the Working Group on Sexual Harassment and adopted by Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (vide the Notification dated 16 April 1999). The guideline is based on the Hon'ble Supreme Court ruling in the case Vishaka vs. State of Rajasthan. Apart from these, a new GSCASH Rules and Regulations has also been drafted after wider consultation with all stakeholders of the University to make it in tune with the Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013. The new rule is in the process of approval by the University.

Q. (d) if not, the action taken by the Government against universities/colleges in this regard; and

Reply: The University has in place Gender Sensitization Committee against Sexual Harassment (GSCASH) since 1999.

Q. (e) whether the Government has taken measures to provide gender sensitization training across the board at universities/colleges in view of the seriousness of the cases arising from these institutes and if so, the details thereof?

Reply: It is for MHRD to respond. However, Jawaharlal Nehru University GSCASH conducts sensitization programme and workshops for different constituents of the University.
