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**Sub:** Material for reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.3691 for 20.03.2013 asked by Shri Rajendra Agrawal and Prof. Ram Shankar regarding "Cut-off Marks ".

Sir,

Please refer to your Email dated 18.03.2013 on the subject cited above.

As desired, we forward herewith the draft material to the aforesaid Lok Sabha Unstarred Question for further action at your end.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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Encl: **As above.**

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PS to Registrar --- For the kind information of the Registrar.

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**Material for reply to Lok Sabha Question No. 3691 for 20.03.2013 asked by Shri Rajendra Agrawal and Prof. Ram Shankar regarding "Cut-off Marks ".**

**Q. (a) Whether it is a fact that a large number of students could not get admission in educational institutions due to the high cutoff marks;**

**Q. (b) If so, the reaction of the Government thereto;**

Ans. (a & b) As far as JNU is concerned, the University, being a research-oriented University, conducts its competitive entrance examination on All India basis for a limited number of seats in various programmes of studies i.e. BA, MA and M.Phil/Ph.D and admission is granted purely on merit basis.

**Q. (c) Whether the Government is contemplating to increase the number of seats in the educational institutions run by them;**

**Q. (d) If so, the details thereof; and**

**Q. (e) The steps taken/likely to be taken by the Government to improve the admission process in such institutions?**

Ans. (c, d & e) JNU is following the Government of India Policy with regard to admissions. As per the directions of the Govt. of India/UGC, while implementing OBC reservation policy, a hike of 54% has been made effective in intake capacity for different programmes of studies from the year 2010.