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**Increasing enrolment in Higher Education**

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Total enrolment of Post Graduates, Total Population of eligible age group (18-23 years) and Percentage of Post Graduates to Total Population of eligible age group (18-23 years), as per All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE), for last 3 years is given as under:

Year	Total Enrolment of Post Graduates	Total Population (18-23 years)	% of Post Graduates to Total Population (18-23 years)	Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in Higher Education
2014-15	3853438	141045558	2.73	24.3
2015-16	3917156	141290793	2.77	24.5
2016-17	4007570	141537252	2.83	25.2

It is pertinent to note that population in age group (18-23 years) is considered as eligible population for the purpose of enrolment in Higher Education.

The aim of Government is to achieve overall Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) of 30% by 2020 in Higher Education as against GER of 25.2% in 2016-17 (as per AISHE, 2016-17).

This information was given by the Minister of State (HRD), Dr. Satya Pal Singh today in a written reply to a Lok Sabha question.

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