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**INVITATION OF US ACADEMICIANS UNDER GIAN**

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The draft Cabinet Note on the Scheme called Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN), which seeks to invite distinguished academicians, entrepreneurs, scientists, experts including Indian Diaspora from premier institutions across the world, including USA to teach in the higher educational institutions in India during summer and winter breaks has been circulated to the concerned Ministries and Departments for their comments. The Scheme envisages giving international exposure to students, address shortage of faculty and also provides opportunity to faculty to learn and share knowledge and teaching skills in cutting-edge areas.

This information was given by the Union Human Resource Development Minister, Smt. Smriti Irani in a written reply to the Rajya Sabha question.

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