

## **RGNUL Among 60 Higher Educational Institutions granted autonomy by UGC**

UGC has recognized the RGNUL Punjab as an Institute of Higher Education which has maintained quality of Education. In a historic decision the University Grants Commission has granted Autonomy to sixty Higher Educational Institutions, which have maintained High Academic Standards. This news was announced by the Minister of Human Resource Development, Shri Prakash Javadekar at a media briefing in New Delhi held on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

These Sixty Higher Educational Institutions which have been granted autonomy includes 52 Universities i.e. 5 Central Universities, 21 State Universities, 24 Deemed universities, and 2 private universities. These universities will remain within the ambit of UGC but will have the freedom to start new courses, off campus centers, skill development courses, research parks and any other new academic programs. They will also have the freedom to hire foreign faculty, enroll foreign students, give incentive based emoluments to the faculty, enter into academic collaborations and run open distance learning programmes.