GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:124
ANSWERED ON:28.11.2000
GRANTS IN AID TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES
NIVEDITA MANE;SURESH CHANDEL

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of grants-in-aid provided to universities and colleges during each of the last three years, and till date;
- (b) whether the grants-in-aid provided are inadequate to meet the expenses of the universities and colleges; and
- (c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to augment the grants-in-aid and ensure that the amount thus provided is properly utilised by them?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Smt. SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRELESTION NO.124 FOF 28.11.2000 REGARDING GRANTS-IN-AIDO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES ASKED BY SHRIMATI NIVEDITA MANE SHRI SURESH CHANDEL.

- (a): A statement each indicating the grants provided by UGC to eligible Universities and Colleges during the last three years and the current year till date is attached at Annexure-I and II respectively.
- (b) & (c): Plan and Non-Plan grants to Central Universities, which are established by Acts of Parliament, are provided by the Central Government through UGC, and to State Universities, which are set up byActs of State Legislatures, by the concerned State Governments. UGC provides only development grants to eligible State Universities and Colleges, as per the prescribed norms, and that too, only for a part of their requirements. It is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Governments and the Agencies, as the case may be, to provide adequate development and maintenance grants to the Universities and Colleges established by them. Plan and Non-Plan grants provided by the Government to UGCfor disbursement to eligible Universities and Colleges have been steadily increasing over the years. As against an amount of Rs.922.22 crore (Plan) and Rs.1906.45 crore (Non-Plan) provided to UGC during the 8th Plan, an enhancedoutlay of Rs.2000.00 crore (Plan) and about Rs.4696.68 crore (Non-Plan) has been allocated for the 9th Plan.

The utilisation of grants provided by UGC is monitored by the Commission through reports on the progress of expenditureand the utilisation certificates furnished by the Universities and Colleges.