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FUNDS FOR MEDICAL UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to allocate funds for development of Information Technology, Computer Programming and Computerisation of Medical Universities over the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; (

(c) Whether the Government have received any proposal from Maharashtra University of Health Sciences, Nasik seeking financial assistance under this project; and

(d) if so, whether the proposal has been accepted by the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INVESTMENT, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF PLANNING, STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) to (d): Improving access to information technology can play a critical role in Human Resource Development for Health. This has been identified as a thrust area in the Ninth Plan. Planning Commission provided Additional Central Assistance of Rs. 1 crore each to Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore in 1996-97, MGR Medical University, Chennai in 1998-99, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences at Faridkot, Punjab in 1998-99, NTR University of Health Sciences at Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh in 1998-99, and Maharashtra University of Health Sciences at Nasik, Maharashtra in 2000-2001 for accelerating the progress in information technology upgradation and networking between preservice and inservice training institutions for medical and para-medical personnel.