

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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BASIC SYLLABI FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether basic syllabi for higher education is being neglected by the universities in the country;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether educational institutions are turning into industry; and
- (d) if so, the concrete steps being taken by the Government to maintain the standard of higher education?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) & (b): Since, Universities are autonomous bodies created under Acts of Parliament or State legislatures, they are free to formulate their own Syllabi for each course. Even so, the University Grants Commission (UGC) which is responsible for coordination of standards of higher education has circulated a model curricula at the under-graduate and post-graduate levels in Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences. Universities have the option to adopt as it is, or with modifications as may be felt necessary by them.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.