

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

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NON -RECOGNITION OF DEGREE BY DEC

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

(a) whether the degrees awarded including M. Phil (English) by the various Universities including Madras University through distance education programme are not approved by the Distance Education Council (DEC);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Global Open University, Nagaland is approved by the. University Grants Commission; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : According to Distance Education Council (DEC) - Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), DEC has given provisional approval/recognition to various Universities/institutions to offer programmes (approved by their statutory bodies) through distance mode. DEC has accorded recognition to those programmes of the Madras University, which are approved by its Statutory Bodies from 1995 to 2008.

(c) & (d): The Global Open University Nagaland has been established by an Act of State Legislature of Nagaland. The Section 2 (f) of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956 provides that `University` means a university established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, a Provincial Act or a State Act. Inspection of the University has not been carried out by the UGC.