

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

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ZOOLOGICAL EXPERIMENTS IN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) panel has set up an Expert Committee to look into the possibility of banning dissection of animals for Zoological experiments in colleges and universities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the expert Committee has given its report to the Government; and
- (d) if so, the decision taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), the Chairman, UGC has constituted an Expert Committee comprising of subject experts and representatives of UGC and the Government, to look into the issue of dissection of animals for zoological experiments in colleges and universities.
- (c): The Report of the Committee is yet to be submitted to UGC.
- (d): Does not arise.