

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to encourage research based industries to sponsor students for Masters and Ph.Ds. in Science and also award internships of longer duration;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): The National Knowledge Commission in its report " More Talented Students in Maths and Science" had proposed that industry should be encouraged to sponsor students for Masters and PhD in science and also internship of longer duration in industry for Post Graduate students.Universities have academic autonomy to create such programmes that would encourage industries to sponsor students for courses of study in the universities.