

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

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

- (a) whether it is proposed to set up an international students centre in each Central University Campus in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Indian Missions abroad are also to be involved in this initiative; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): The report of the Inter-Ministerial Committee on the Welfare of Foreign Students in India submitted by the Director General, Indian Council for Cultural Relations, envisages, inter-alia, that each Central University should establish and strengthen an International Students Centre headed by a full-time senior officer or faculty member and that Indian Missions abroad should issue Visas on production of confirmed admission letters duly signed by the Director, International Students Centre or by the International Students Adviser. Pursuant to this Ministry's request, the University Grants Commission has since advised all the Central Universities to take further action in the matter.