

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

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APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHANCELLOR
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to change the existing system of appointment of Vice-Chancellors of the various Central Universities in country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the appointment of Vice-Chancellors as per the new dispensation will be more transparent;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether there is also a proposal to introduce a database centralized info-system for Professors eligible for appointment as Vice-Chancellors; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (f): The establishment of an overarching authority in higher education other than agricultural and medical education, based on the recommendation of the National Knowledge Commission and the Committee to advise on Renovation and Rejuvenation of Higher Education under Prof. Yash Pal, is one of the priority areas of Government. A Task Force has been constituted for the purpose, which has prepared a draft legislation and which has been placed in the public domain for wider consultations. The draft legislation proposes to establish a National Registry of persons eligible and qualified to be appointed as Vice-Chancellors of a University. The Task Force is yet to finalise its recommendations in respect of the draft legislation after taking a view on the suggestions and comments received during the consultations process.