## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5459 ANSWERED ON:28.04.2010 INNOVATION UNIVERSITIES

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

- (a) whether the concept for the establishment of innovation universities aiming at world class standards has been finalized;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the time by which the proposed concept is likely to be finalized;
- (d) whether the requisite piece of land has been provided by the respective State Government's including Madhya Pradesh for establishment of these universities;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken or being taken by the Union Government to establish these universities expeditiously at the locations identified for the purpose?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) to (c): The concept for establishment of 14 Innovation Universities aiming at world class standards have been placed in the public domain at http://www.education.nic.in/uhe/Universitiesconceptnote.pdf.
- (d) to (f): The States Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Gujarat, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal have offered certain sites for the establishment of the innovation universities. Close proximity to a large urban agglomeration with good connectivity and transport facilities are essential features of a site to be considered suitable for locating in innovation university. The Site Selection Committee has commenced the task of visiting the locations offered by State Governments for identifying suitable sites.