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INTRODUCTION OF SEMESTER SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Delhi University has introduced Semester System of examination for its various courses;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Delhi University Teachers Association has been protesting against introduction of Semester System; and
- (d) if so, the details and the reasons therefor and the Government's reaction thereto?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): According to the information furnished by University of Delhi, Semester System has been implemented in post-graduate courses conducted by the University with effect from the academic session 2009-10 and in 13 under-graduate science courses w.e.f. 2010-11 as per the details given in Annexure. The University has informed that the Delhi University Teachers' Association has been protesting against introduction of Semester System as, in its opinion, this System is not desirable/feasible. The System has been introduced by the University after due approval of its statutory bodies, viz. Academic Council and Executive Council. The implementation of Semester System also forms part of an Action Plan for Academic and Administrative Reforms circulated by University Grants Commission to all Universities, vide its letter dated 21-03-2009. Government supports academic reforms including Semester System in all Central Universities on the lines of the provision for such reforms incorporated in the Central Universities Act, 2009.