

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

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to set up National Academic Depository (NAD) to create data base of all academic records;
- (b) if so, the details and the objectives thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the proposed NAD is likely to be set up?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Government proposes to set up a national data base of academic qualifications in an electronic format by an identified registered depository. It is expected to provide immense benefit to institutions, students and alumni and employers by enabling online access of academic qualifications, eliminating the need for persons to approach educational institutions for obtaining transcripts or for verification and reducing the need for institutions to preserve records in physical form related to academic performance of students for a number of years. The system could also eliminate fraudulent practices such as forgoing of certificates and mark-sheets by facilitating online verification.

(c): At present there is only an in-principle decision to have such a depository.