

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

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CONVERSION OF RESERVED SEATS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some reserved seats meant for OBCs in admissions were converted into General Category seats in Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi and colleges of Delhi University during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) : The Government, in accordance with the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of IA No. 3 of 2008 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 35 of 2007, has issued instructions vide OM No. 1-1/2008-(III)-U.I(A) dated 17th October, 2008 to all the Central Educational Institutions (CEIs) to ensure that seats reserved for OBCs are filled by other eligible students only if they are vacant after admitting all eligible OBC students i.e. after excluding creamy layer as per OM No.1-1/2008 - U.I(A) dated 13.10.2008. CEIs were also asked to ensure that maximum cut off marks of OBCs are not kept lower than 10% from the cut off marks for general category candidates as directed by the Hon'ble Court. Under the Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006, reservation of seats for OBCs in admission in Central Educational Institutions was to be implemented from academic year 2008-09.

According to information provided by University Grants Commission (UGC), the details regarding no. of seats provided under OBC category and transferred to general category later on in Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), Delhi and Delhi University are as under :-

Name of University of Delhi Jawaharlal Nehru
Univ. University

Year	No. of seats provided under OBC category	No. of seats transferred to general category	No. of seats provided under OBC category	No. of seats transferred to general category
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2008-09	4897 (925 for Univ. Deptt and 3952 for Delhi colleges)	Nil#	256	54
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2009-10	9778 (including Delhi Colleges) Univ. Deptt.)	1722 (1580 for Delhi Colleges and 142 seats for Univ. Deptt.)	410	75
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2010-11 Since the process of admission is not complete yet in respect of year 2010-11, the required information for the same is not available.

As admission for 2008-09 were over before the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India became available 2136 seats (361 for University Deptt. and 1775 for Delhi Colleges) remained unfilled and were not transferred to the general category.

