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

- (a) the number of Post Doctoral Fellowships (PDF) funded by the Union Government/ University Grants Commission (UGC) on Science and Art subjects in the country;
- (b) the details of such PDF programmes including PDF for college teachers and Ph.D. holders; and
- (c) the details of fellowships allotted for various PDF programmes conducted by UGC during the last year?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): According to information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), the UGC provides Post Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) under the following programmes:

(i) Research Award to regular teacher:- The award is given to regular teachers under 45 years of age in Universities/Colleges/Institutes for a duration of 2 years extendable for one more year. The number of PDF allotted is 100.

(ii) Post Doctoral Fellowship for Women: The fellowship is given to unemployed women holding Ph.D Degree and below the age of 55 years, to carry out the advanced studies and research and in Universities/Colleges/Institutes for a period of 5 years. The number of PDF allotted is 100 annually.

(iii) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Fellowship: This is a new scheme for the fellowship in Humanities and Social Sciences including Languages to full time research work preferably below 35 years of age who have received their Ph.D Degree or have submitted their Ph.D. thesis. The tenure of the fellowship is for 3 years. The number of PDF allotted annually is 400.

(iv) Dr. D. S. Kothari Post Doctoral Fellowship: The said fellowship is provided for science stream. Under the scheme 500 PDF are awarded annually.

(v) Post Doctoral Fellowship for SC/ST: The said fellowship is provided to unemployed candidates belonging to SC/ST candidates for pursuing higher research on regular basis after completion of their Ph.D. The number of PDF allotted is 100 annually.

According to the information furnished by the UGC, during the year 2009-10, 121 fellowship in Arts subjects and 297 fellowship in science subjects were given under various programmes so far.