GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4757 ANSWERED ON:25.08.2010 SETTING UP OF TV CHANNEL BY UNIVERSITIES Viswanathan Shri P.

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

(a) whether some of the universities in the country including Delhi University have set up/propose to set up TV channel;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the said TV channels are likely to be set up in each universities?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): According to available information, so far no Central University, except Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), has set up any TV channel. The IGNOU is running four TV channels, viz, "Gyan Darshan I", an educational channel, "Gyan Darshan II", for building interactivity in distance learning process, "Gyan Darshan – 3" for the benefit of teachers and students of technical courses and, "Gyan Darshan – 4" for students of conventional higher education system. The University of Delhi has informed that it has not set up any TV channel, nor is there any proposal in this regard. Since each Central University is a statutory autonomous body governed by its respective Acts, Statutes and Ordinances, no definite time frame for setting up of a TV channel can be indicated.