

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

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COMMON ENTRANCE TEST  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is any proposal to introduce Common Entrance Test for admission to undergraduate and postgraduate courses for all central university colleges and institutions;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any shortcomings in the current system for admission to undergraduate and post-graduate courses;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the reasons for imposing another burden on the students?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (e) In a Conference of Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities held recently, there was a consensus that the present college/ institution specific system of admission to undergraduate courses places immense burden on the students/ applicants as well as parents. Therefore, the admission procedure needs to be modified in a manner that the marks obtained in class 12 and the scores obtained in a common national level aptitude test should get appropriate weightage. For admission to postgraduate programmes, the basis could be marks obtained at the graduate level and a common test to assess the aptitude and knowledge in the subject concerned. The modalities in this regard, however, would be worked out by each Central University keeping in view their specific requirements.