

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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

- a. the number of universities and colleges in the country;
- b. the percentage of those that have been accredited by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC);
- c. the number of Universities and colleges with over 60 per cent score taken by the Government for quality checks in all the colleges and universities in the country; and
- d. the steps taken by the Government for quality checks in all the colleges and universities in the country?

**Answer**

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

- a. According to the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), there are around 550 Universities and 26,000 Colleges in the Country.
- b. About 29% and 16% of these Universities and Colleges respectively have been accredited by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC).
- c. Since 2007, the assessment and accreditation of educational institutions by NAAC is done on the basis of Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) system taking into account Curricular Aspects, Teaching-learning and Evaluation, Research Consultancy and Extension, Infrastructure and Learning Resources, Student Support and Progress, Governance and Leadership and Innovative Practices and the accreditation status is indicated in terms of A,B,C and D grades.
- d. During the XIth Plan period, the UGC has launched a scheme for establishment of Internal Quality Assurance Cells (IQAC) in higher educational institutions in the country with a view to developing a Quality System for conscious, consistent and catalytic programmed action as also to promote measures for institutional functioning towards quality enhancement through internalization of quality culture and institutionalization of best practices. For the purpose, it provides seed money of Rs. 5.00 lakhs to each University and Rs. 3.00 lakhs to each college as a one-time grant. As a post accreditation quality sustenance activity, the NAAC is insisting on submission of Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) by the IQAC and has made it basic eligibility condition for reaccreditation of the institution.