GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2217 ANSWERED ON:09.03.2011 APPROVAL TO NEW VOCATIONAL COURSES BY UGC Mahtab Shri Bhartruhari

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

(a) the details of new vocational courses approved by the University Grants Commission (UGC) in various universities in order to promote employment oriented education during the last two years;

(b) the details of financial assistance provided by UGC for promoting introduction of job-oriented vocational courses during the last two years; and

(c) the number of requests received by the UGC for introduction of new vocational courses alongwith the number of requests disapproved/rejected and the reasons therefor?

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), the details of new vocational courses approved by the UGC in various Universities/Colleges in order to promote employment oriented education during the last two years are as under:-

S.No Vocational Courses 2008-09 2009-10

1 Arts/Social Sciences 91 93

2 Science 53 82

3 Commerce 29 52

(b) & (c): The financial assistance provided by UGC for promoting introduction of job-oriented vocational courses Rs. 4683.00 lakhs and Rs. 4930.00 lakhs during 2008-09 and 2009-10 respectively. Further, 609 & 747 proposals have been received out of which 159 & 232 proposals have been disapproved during the financial years 2008-09 and 2009-10, respectively, as those were not found viable and/or complete by the Expert Committee as per UGC guidelines under the Scheme of Career Oriented Courses.