

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

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SEMESTER SYSTEM IN DELHI UNIVERSITY

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

- (a) whether the Government has approved semester based syllabus in Delhi University;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the views of experts, teachers and the students in this regard;
- (d) whether the students have expressed unhappiness over such decision; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to deal the situation?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. D. PURANDESHWARI)

(a) to (e): The University of Delhi is a statutory autonomous body governed by the Delhi University Act, 1922 and the Statutes and the Ordinances framed thereunder. Semester-based syllabi in post-graduate and under-graduate courses were adopted by the University from academic session 2009-10 and, 2010-2011 and 2011-12, respectively, after due approval of its competent authorities. The semester system was adopted on the recommendations of various expert bodies, viz. Yashpal Committee and National Knowledge Commission. The majority of students have expressed satisfaction over the introduction of semester system since this distributes the examination load and encourages a more regular study pattern besides offering other advantages.