

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

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INITIATIVE TO ATTRACT INDIAN STUDENTS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Germany has launched a big initiative to attract more Indian students during the year 2011-12;
- (b) if so, the details of the programme and the specific target group; and
- (c) the courses which may be available to Indian students in Germany?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): "A new passage to India" has been initiated by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF). The objective of the initiative is to kindle interest among Indian students of all disciplines and courses to study, carry out research or gain experience in the working environment in Germany and to encourage German students to gain the same experiences in India. The three main schemes under this programme are:-

- I. Study and Research Stays within Academic Co-operations.
- II. Working and Research Internships.
- III. Indo-German Centres.