

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to aid rural unaided Degree Colleges and Girls Degree Colleges run by the Charitable Trusts to boost the educational growth of the poor and rural masses;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to provide one time Central assistance for infrastructural development in such colleges; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): According to the University Grants Commission (UGC), it provides financial assistance to only those college which are declared eligible to receive grants under Section 12 B of UGC Act, 1956. However under the Eleventh Five Year Plan, the UGC has evolved a scheme to provide one-time catch- up grant to a large number of colleges which have so far been precluded from the UGC development grants on account of gaps in their infrastructure and quality. The scheme mainly aims to strengthen such colleges and enable them to fulfill the 12 B criteria of the UGC Act, 1956 for regular UGC assistance by the end of the XI Plan period.