

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

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STUDENTS UNIONS IN CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the Central universities where election for students` unions have been conducted as on date;
- (b) the details of the students union of Central universities which were dissolved during the last session;
- (c) the reasons therefor university-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to revive students` unions in Banaras Hindu University, Allahabad University and Jamia Millia Islamia University and conduct election in these universities during the current session;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Elections for students' unions, as on date, have been conducted in Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar and Mizoram University. Students are represented by their Council or Union, as per the Statutes of the Central Universities.
- (b) & (c) No students' union has been dissolved.
- (d) & (e) Elections of Students Union in Banaras Hindu University was last held in February 1996. Now, Students are represented by Students Council. In University of Allahabad, a Committee constituted by Academic Council, to frame Regulations in accordance with Ordinance of the University, has submitted its recommendations which are yet to be approved by the Academic Council for incorporation in the University Regulations. In Jamia Millia Islamia, the students union was last elected in December, 2005 and the University does not propose to revive the Students Union owing to unfortunate experiences in past. The representation of students community is ensured through students' subject association of each department.
- (f) The Central Universities are statutory autonomous bodies and as such the Government has no role in their day to day functioning.