

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

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WORLD CLASS STANDARD UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has held discussion with the academicians and scholars for determining the framework of Universities of Innovation in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the suggestions received by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether legislative proposal for setting up Universities for innovation aiming at World Class standard in academics and research has been finalized;
- (d) if so, the details of thereof; and
- (e) If not, the time by which the said proposal is likely to be finalized ?

Answer

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

(a): Yes Sir. Wide consultations on the framework of Universities for Innovation were held with several eminent persons, including academicians, captains of industry, Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Vice-Chancellors of Universities and Directors of top institutions of higher education.

(b): The major suggestions include:-

that Universities of Innovation should provide research based learning,

recognise merit in the matter in admissions and faculty selections,

Indian academicians working in other Universities abroad should be attracted,

adopt experiences and best practices from world class Universities,

give complete autonomy to such Universities to operate in a healthy and competitive environment,

emphasise the spirit of enquiry in such Universities,

young and talented persons should be encouraged for research in Innovative areas, and

Existing Universities to be enabled to become Universities for Innovation, by granting greater autonomy and improved governance structure etc.

(c): No sir.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): The Legislative proposal, soon after finalization, would be introduced in Parliament.