

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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STUDY ON FOREIGN UNIVERSITIES IN INDIA
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the foreign universities operating in the country in partnership with domestic educational institutions;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study on the functioning of these universities;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) If not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

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

(a): In the absence of a Central law for regulating the entry and operations of foreign universities, no authentic information about operation of foreign universities in the country is available. However, the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has issued regulations for providing technical education in India in collaboration with foreign institutions/universities. The regulations can be seen at <http://www.aicte-india.org/foreignuniversities.htm>. AICTE has approved six collaborations with foreign university/institutions under the regulations, which can be seen at <http://www.aicte-india.org/misappforeigncoll.htm>.

(b) to (d): No, Sir. However, National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA), a Deemed to be University had conducted a study in 2004, but the study was based on secondary sources and hence the information cannot be treated as fully reliable. The study identified 143 Indian institutions and 161 Foreign Education Providers engaged in collaboration. The total number of collaborations was 230, out of which, 86 collaborations were with educational institutions from UK, followed by 79 from USA. Collaborative arrangements included twinning, franchisee, joint provisions and link programmes etc.