

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

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SEMESTER SYSTEM IN DELHI UNIVERSITY
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Delhi University has introduced semester system in 13 under-graduate science courses;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Delhi University Teachers' Association (DUTA) is protesting against the semester system; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government for amicable settlement of the issue?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The University of Delhi has introduced semester system in 13 under-graduate science (Honours) courses from the academic session 2010-11, after due approval of its statutory bodies, viz. Academic Council & Executive Council. The semester system has been implemented in Chemistry, Botany, Zoology, Geology, Bio-Medical Sciences, Life Sciences, Nursing, Anthropology, Bio-Chemistry, Microbiology, Physics, Physical Sciences and Electronics.

(c): Delhi University Teachers' Association (DUTA) was protesting against the implementation of semester system before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi restrained them from protesting against it and directed them to teach in semester mode. DUTA has also filed petitions in the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, which are sub-judice.

(d): The University of Delhi is a statutory autonomous body established by an Act of Parliament and governed by the Delhi University Act, 1922 and the Statutes/Ordinances framed thereunder. Under the Act, the University is competent to take appropriate measures to sort out the academic issues, including semester system and the Ministry has no role to play in this regard.