

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

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SETTING UP OF NMTS

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether several Central Universities do not have a Department of Education at present;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to launch National Mission for Teachers (NMTs) to focus on teachers training;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a): Yes, Sir. At present, 17 of the 40 Central Universities do not have a Department of Education.
- (b): Central Universities are autonomous bodies established under Acts of Parliament and are governed by their Acts and Statutes and Ordinances made there under. Opening of any new academic department, including Department of Education, is done by such Universities with the approval of their statutory authorities. Financial assistance for establishment of any new academic department in the Central Universities is considered by UGC subject to availability of funds.
- (c) to (e): Yes, Sir. Government proposes to launch National Mission for Teachers (NMT) to focus on training of teachers in the XII Five Year Plan subject to approval of National Development Council (NDC).