

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:319  
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SETTING UP OF WOMEN UNIVERSITIES  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open 20 women universities in the country including Gujarat to provide higher education to girls of urban and rural areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to open women hostels in these universities and to provide scholarship to girls;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (e) the time by which these universities are likely to be operational?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e): While there have been suggestions to open women's universities, during the deliberations of the Working Group, while preparing the approach of the XII Plan, there is at present no proposal to open 20 women universities in the country in the XII Plan.