

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

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RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCES SECTOR
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of current scholarships and academic awards given by the Government for excellence in the social sciences sector;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to boost research in the social sciences sector;
- (c) if so, whether the Government has identified research methodologies in new and frontier areas in the field of social sciences;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): The University Grants Commission (UGC), Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR) and Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR) have given a total number of 5584 current scholarships and academic awards for excellence in the Social Sciences sector.

(b) to (d): In order to promote research in Social Sciences during the 12th Five Year Plan period, the above institutions have formulated different types of schemes and programmes like research methodology courses, fellowships, research projects, seminars, workshops, conferences, publications and documentation.