

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

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

- (a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) has prepared a training manual programme for participation of women in higher educational institutions;
- (b) if so, whether satisfactory action has been taken on implementation of the said programme;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of the steps taken by the Government to ensure gender equality in such institutions;
- (e) whether the Government has made any efforts to enhance the participation of women in higher educational institutions; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has initiated a training programme for participation of women in higher education institutions under the scheme of "Capacity Building of Women Managers in Higher Education". Training of Trainers workshops and Sensitization /Awareness/Motivation workshops under this scheme have been organized by the various universities & colleges during Xth Plan to ensure gender equality and to enhance the participation of women in higher educational institutions.

(d) to (f): Women Education is one of the important components of UGC policy of Equity and access. The UGC has launched the schemes of financial assistance to Universities and Colleges for construction of women's hostels; financial assistance for establishment of Day Care Centres to help women to continue their academic career; Indira Gandhi Scholarship to Single Girl Child; assistance for capacity building for women managers in higher education; Post Doctoral Fellowships for women; establishment of Women's Studies Centres and additional assistance to Universities & Colleges with more women enrolment to encourage the enrolment and participation of women in higher educational institutions.