GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2488 ANSWERED ON:28.03.2012 INCREASE IN ALLOCATION FOR CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES Shekhar Shri Neeraj;Singh Shri Yashvir

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

(a) the details of the funds which were not utilized by the Central Universities including Banaras Hindu University (BHU) during the year 2011-12, University- wise;

(b) the details of funds allocated/proposed to be allocated to these Universities during the Twelfth Five Year Plan, University-wise;

(c) whether budget allocation during the Eleventh Five Year Plan to BHU was comparatively less as compared to Jawaharlal Nehru University in ratio of students;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to increase budget allocation per student to BHU and other Central Universities during the Twelfth Plan?

Answer

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

(a): University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that Rs.107211.62 lakh has been released under the head 'General Development Grant' to all Central Universities including Banaras Hindu University (BHU) during 2011-12 against which, these Universities have furnished Utilization of funds to the extent of Rs. 76697.97 lakh as on 31.01.2012. The details of grants and utilization thereof by the Central Universities are as given in Annexure-I.

(b): Allocation for XII Plan including that of Central Universities has not been finalized.

(c) and (d): Yes, Sir. However, comparison of allocation of budget in the ratio of students only is not appropriate because it depends on various parameters including the nature of programmes offered by the Universities. The funds allocated to JNU and BHU during XI Plan is as under:-

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(Rs. in lakh)
XI Plan allocation
S1.No. Name of the General Merged Fellowship Total Number of Students
University Development Scheme Scheme (As on
Grant 31.3.2011)
1. BHU 23799.45 677.50 4500.00 28976.95 27986
2. JNU 14781.25 617.50 5000.00 20398.75 6665
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(e): Financial assistance from UGC to the Universities depends on their demand, recommendation of the Expert Committee appointed by UGC for examining their demands and availability of funds.