

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

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OPENING OF MODEL DEGREE COLLEGES  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open new model degree colleges in each State;
- (b) if so, the number of colleges proposed to be opened during the current financial year. State-wise;
- (c) the number of requests received from the State Governments for setting up of such colleges in their States;
- (d) the name of places identified and funds allocated for the purpose during the current financial year, location and State-wise; and
- (e) the progress made so far for opening of such colleges in the State, State-wise?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e): A proposal is under consideration of the Government, to launch a new scheme to assist States for establishment of a model degree college in each of the 374 identified educationally backward districts having Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in higher education lower than the national level. An amount of Rs.782 crore has been earmarked as the Central Government share in the 11th Plan. 200 colleges are proposed to be set up during the remaining period of the 11th Plan.

A Statement indicating the number of proposals, received by the University Grants Commission from the State Governments is at Annexure-I A Statement indicating the list of 374 identified educationally backward districts is at Annexure-II.