

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

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RECOGNITION OF UNVERSITIES BY DEC  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the criteria adopted by the Distance Education Council (DEC) to recognise universities who offers graduation and post graduation degree courses through distance education;
- (b) the details of the universities recognised by the DEC during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the School of Open Learning, Delhi University has been recognised by the DEC;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

- (a): The criteria adopted by Distance Education Council (DEC) to recognise Universities/Institutions for offering programmes through distance education mode include: infrastructural facilities of the University/Institution; process for delivery of education through distance mode; the quality of study materials of the programmes offered by the Institutions; duration of the programmes; eligibility of admission; availability of core faculty; facilities for hands- on experience/practical etc. and examination & evaluation system of Universities/ Institutions.
- (b): The details of Universities/Institutions Recognised by Distance Education Council (DEC) is available on the website of the DEC at URL [www.dec.ac.in](http://www.dec.ac.in).
- (c): No, Sir.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e): The Delhi University has not applied to DEC for its recognition, so far.