GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the State-wise details of the total number of Universities in the country along with the dates on which these were established; and
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government to improve the standard of education in the National Capital Region (NCR) in order to reduce the burden on the colleges of Delhi?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI E. AHAMED)

- (a) Details of Central, State, Deemed and Private Universities is available on University Grants Commission's (UGC) website at http://www.ugc.ac.in.
- (b): UGC has taken up various measures for educational reforms, such as introduction of Semester System, regular updating of curricula and Choice Based Credit Systems (CBCS) etc, The UGC has launched several schemes to improve the standards of education in Universities and colleges. Under these schemes, financial assistance is provided to eligible colleges for creation and upgradation of infrastructural facilities, including Libraries, Laboratories and Hostels and for strengthening of teaching and research. These measures are applicable to colleges located in National Capital Region (NCR) also. Consequent to passing of the Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006, the Central Government has increased the intake capacity in all Central Educational Institutions (CEI) to an extent of 54%. This has led to enormous expansion of seats available in CEIs including the Central Universities and colleges located in NCR. Education falls in the Concurrent List of the Constitution and therefore it is the responsibility of both Central and State Governments.