

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:356  
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FUNDS TO CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is satisfied with the performance and working of the central universities set up in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including review if any, of such universities in the recent past;
- (c) the outcome of such reviews and follow-up corrective action taken therein;
- (d) the funds approved, sanctioned and disbursed to the central universities during the Eleventh Five Year Plan, university-wise; and
- (e) the details of funds allocated or proposed to be allocated during the Twelfth Five Year Plan for these universities, university-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Sh. KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO 356 FOR 05th SEPTEMBER, 2012 ASKED BY SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH AND SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE REGARDING FUNDS TO CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES

(a) to (c) Different Central Universities(CUs) are at different levels of development and they exhibit different levels of performance. By and large, the CUs have performed satisfactorily. However, there is always room for improving the performance of any institution including the Central Universities.

The UGC, at the beginning of each Plan period, reviews the progress made by the Central Universities in the preceding Plan and also assesses the requirement of funds of each Central University on the basis of vital parameters like academic, research and governance. It has reported that in majority of the Central Universities facility for teaching and research, maintenance and upkeep of buildings and equipments have suffered due to decline in non- plan non-salary component. There is also shortage of faculty, particularly, at the senior levels in the new Central Universities due to non portability of pension. The newly established Central Universities, except State Universities converted as Central Universities, are functioning largely from hired buildings due to delay in making available suitable land by the State Governments for establishing the permanent campus. Further, majority of the Central Universities lack all – India character, with cosmopolitan representation in terms of faculty members as well as students.

The UGC and the Government have been regularly writing to the Vice Chancellors to make all out efforts for filling up vacant posts of faculty including the backlog vacancies. Government has also taken up with the Ministry of Finance the issue of enhancement of non-plan non-salary grant and pension portability. Conferences of Vice Chancellors of the Central Universities are organized to provide an opportunity for peer review as well as peer-learning.

The UGC has taken a number of steps to bring academic reforms in the University system which includes introduction of semester system, choice based credit system, curriculum development, admission procedures, examination and evaluation system, quality assessment faculty development, pay and service conditions of teachers. UGC has also advised all the Central Universities to go in for accreditation as it would be one of the criteria for norm based block grant.

(d) Statement giving details of funds allocated and disbursed to the Central Universities during Eleventh Five Year Plan is enclosed as Annexure.

(e) Twelfth Five Year Plan allocation has not been finalised.