

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

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NEW COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is proposing to establish new colleges and universities in the Twelfth Plan Period and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Planning Commission is objecting to these proposals;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the alternate steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a): Yes Sir. In view of declining outlays on plan funds for higher education by the state governments, the Central Government has formulated a Centrally Sponsored Scheme to incentivize States to set up new institutions, expand existing ones and also improve quality of higher education.
- (b) & (c): No, Sir. The Approach Paper to XII Plan has actually emphasized the need for strategic central funding to state higher education institutions.
- (d): Does not arise.