

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

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OPENING OF NEW UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) has recommended to open 735 universities during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the estimate of expenditure likely to be incurred in this regard; and
- (c) the time by which these Universities are likely to be established?

Answer

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

(a): No recommendation of the University Grants Commission to open 735 universities during the Eleventh Five Year Plan has been received by the Central Government. However, the Eleventh Five Year Plan has a scheme to incentivise States to establish new institutions including Universities for which an allocation of Rs.6200 crore has been provided in the Plan.

(b) & (c): Do not arise.