

**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 number of educational institutions with accreditation from National Assessment Accreditation Committee (NAAC) in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the norms for according grade to the said institutions;
- (c) whether several educational institutions are being run without accreditation by NAAC and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (d) the action taken by the Government against these institutions, State-wise;
- (e) whether the Government has asked the University Grants Commission (UGC) and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) to prepare a bench mark for the accreditation process and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government has urged the State Governments to establish accreditation agencies that will inspect institutions on the bench mark prescribed by the UGC and AICTE and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. SHASHI THAROOR)

(a) According to the information furnished by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), 174 Universities and 5054 Colleges have been assessed and accredited by NAAC as on 5th January, 2013. A State-wise list in this regard is at Annexure I.

(b) According to the NAAC, the criteria used for assessment and accreditation of higher educational institutions include Curricular Aspects; Teaching-Learning and Evaluation; Research, Consultancy and Extension; Infrastructure and Learning Resources; Student Support and Progression; Governance and leadership; and Innovative Practices which are accorded differential weightage for three major types of institutions, viz. University, Autonomous College and Affiliated/Constituent College. Presently, the NAAC follows a CGPA system with a total of 4 points. The Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) scores and corresponding letter grades are given below.

Range of CGPA Letter Grade Performance Descriptor

3.01 - 4.00 A Very Good (Accredited)

2.01 - 3.00 B Good (Accredited)

1.51 - 2.00 C Satisfactory (Accredited)

< 1.50 D Unsatisfactory (Not Accredited)

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(c) Yes Sir. As of now, accreditation from the NAAC is voluntary and many higher educational institutions have not had themselves accredited. The institutions not mentioned on the NAAC website www.naac.gov.in are unaccredited institutions.

(d) In the absence of a law to punish unaccredited institutions, the Government cannot take any action as of now. A legislation to make accreditation mandatory has been introduced in Parliament.

(e) Yes Sir. The UGC has published Regulations on mandatory accreditation on 19.01.2013 in the Gazette of India. The AICTE has also approved similar Regulations in its 32nd meeting held on 14.02.2013.

(f) While no such specific request has been made to the State Governments, the Central Government has asked the State Governments to sensitize the State Higher Educational Institutions to the need to undergo assessment and accreditation on norms and standards prescribed by the statutory regulatory authorities and subsequently to monitor them in their efforts to undergo these processes.