

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

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

- (a) the number of Central and State women universities functioning in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is contemplating to open more women university in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has received any proposal from the States including Kerala to start women university in their State; and
- (e) if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) According to the University Grants Commission (UGC), at present there is no Women's Central University in the country. A list of Women's State and Deemed to be Universities is enclosed as Annexure-I.
- (b) & (c) Yes Madam. During the XII plan period, the Central Government plans to establish a Women's Central University at Rai Bareilly in Uttar Pradesh. However, the Planning Commission has made it clear that the focus of the XII Plan should be on consolidation of universities and institutions and new institutions should be created only in exceptional cases.
- (d) No Madam. We have not received any proposal from any other state, including Kerala.
- (e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.