

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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VICE CHANCELLORS IN CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any specific norms exist regarding the qualification and experience for selection of the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (PVC) in State and Central Universities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) regulations are being followed by all Central and State Universities in selection of Vice-Chancellors (VCs) and PVC;
- (d) if not, whether those universities followed the one or other set norms in the selection of VC or PVC in the State and Central Universities and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether several Central Universities are functioning without VC in the country;
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, Central University-wise; and (g) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to fill up these vacancies at an early date?

Answer

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

(a):Yes, Madam.

(b):Clauses 7.1.0 and 7.2.0 of the UGC Regulations on the Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education, 2010 (available on <http://www.ugc.ac.in/oldpdf/regulations/englishgazette.pdf>), prescribe the norms regarding the selection of Pro-Vice Chancellors in various Universities.

(c) & (d): The UGC Regulations, being a subordinate legislation in nature, are binding on the Universities, subject to the provisions of the Acts governing these Universities. Recently, however, the UGC had decided to omit clause 7.3.0 from the above Regulations and therefore, at present the State and the Central Universities are following the norms and procedure prescribed in their respective Acts and Statutes, for the selection of VCs.

(e) to (g): No, Madam. At present 39 out of 40 Central Universities have regular Vice-Chancellors. Only The Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) does not have a regular Vice Chancellor.