

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

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WORLD CLASS STANDARD UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a legislative proposal for setting up universities for innovation aiming at world class standards in academics and research has been finalised;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any specific proposal for establishment of the said proposed university in Maharashtra; and
- (d) if so, the time by which the said proposal is likely to be finalised?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Central Government has formulated the 'Universities for Research and Innovation Bill', which was introduced in Parliament on 21.05.2012. The Bill aims to provide for the establishment and incorporation of Universities for Research and Innovation. A copy of the Bill is available at http://164.100.24.219/BillsTexts/LSBillTexts/asintroduced/61_2012_LS_ENG.pdf
- (c): Yes, Madam. The Central Government has tentatively identified Pune in Maharashtra as one of the locations for establishment of such universities in the public funded mode.
- (d): No definite time frame can be fixed as of now since the establishment of these Universities is contingent on the passage of the Bill in Parliament.