

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether there has been an increase in the incidents of violence in the universities of the country including University of Allahabad during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State, University and year-wise; and
- (c) the corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to maintain peaceful atmosphere in the universities?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No, Madam. According to the University Grants Commission, in general, there has been no increase in the incidents of violence in the universities of the country. The Central Government does not monitor the incidents reported in State Universities, since control of violence and maintenance of law and order is the responsibility of State Governments. Out of 40 Central Universities controlled and funded by the Central Government, only two, viz, Allahabad University and Hemvati Nandan Bahuguna University, Garhwal, have reported an increase in the incidents of violence and manhandling of teachers, over last year.

(c): Since the maintenance of law and order is the responsibility of State Governments, especially the district administrations, the Central Government promptly conveys to them whenever any such incidents are reported in Central Universities. The responses of district and state administrations have been responsive and cooperative in all the cases. In the case of Allahabad University, the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has also deputed a fact- finding team, which has since submitted its report, and necessary corrective action has been taken.