

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2646
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ELECTIONS TO STUDENTS UNIONS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received representations from students of various Universities including Jamia Millia Islamia, Banaras Hindu University and Allahabad University for revival of students' unions and conduct of students' union election during the 2013-14 session;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, University-wise;
- (c) whether the Government would revive the students' unions in above universities in view of huge demands for the same from various quarters; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a): As per available information, the Ministry of Human Resource Development has not received any representation of this nature from the students of Central Universities including the Jamia Millia Islamia, the Banaras Hindu University and the Allahabad University.
- (b): In view of (a) above, question does not arise.
- (c): As the Central Universities (CUs) are Autonomous Bodies, each established through an Act of Parliament and governed by the relevant Act, Statutes and Ordinances, all the CUs are competent to take decisions on academic and administrative matters including election of the Students' Union/Council. The Government has no role to play in such matters.
- (d): In view of (c) above, the question does not arise.