

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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MODERNIZATION OF STATE UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to prepare a flagship scheme to modernize the State universities and technical and vocational educational institutions on the lines of Central universities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the scheme is likely to be launched?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Human Resource Development has formulated a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS), namely the Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) to improve the quality of state universities, colleges and other institutions including technical and vocational institutions. A copy of the draft scheme is available on the Ministry's website at http://mhrd.gov.in/sites/upload_files/mhrd/files/rusa_0.pdf

(c): The new CSS can only be launched after the approval of the Planning Commission and the Cabinet and no definite time frame can be fixed at this juncture.