

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

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CUT OFF MARKS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a large number of students could not get admission in educational institutions due to the high cut-off marks;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government is contemplating to increase the number of seats in the educational institutions run by them;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/likely to be taken by the Government to improve the admission process in such institutions?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) The cut-off marks for admission into educational institutions for various courses vary from institution to institution and course to course. Those students, who get less than the required cut-off marks, may not get admission in the preferred course offered by an institution of their choice, and therefore, may take admission in another course or another institution.
- (c) & (d) The Twelfth Five Year Plan, as approved by the National Development Council, stipulates additional enrolment of one crore in the five year period. It also provides for doubling the current enrolment in the centrally funded educational institutions.
- (e) The Universities, being autonomous bodies governed by their respective Act, Statutes and Ordinances, are competent to take decisions in respect of admission of students, including to their constituent and affiliated colleges. The Government has no direct role to play in such matters.