

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

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INCREASE IN COST OF EDUCATION IN USA  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Indian students will have to shell out additional amount to pursue studies in the USA because of the fall in the value of rupee;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to help the students in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. The amount spent by students taking up higher education in US institutions depends on the course and the University/Institution chosen by them and the figures for the additional amounts to be spent by the students due to fluctuation in currency rates are not available with the Government. Taking up higher studies abroad, being a matter of individual will and choice, the Government has not considered taking up any specific measures to support Indian students in USA.