

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

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PROPOSALS FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has issued any directives to various State Governments and universities for the establishment of community colleges;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received proposals from the State Governments for setting up community colleges; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and the response of the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD)'s Department of Higher Education, vide its letter dated 13.04.2012 & 15.10.2012 and subsequent communications, have requested the State Governments/UTs and the Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities respectively to submit their proposals on the Pilot Community Colleges Scheme in the prescribed proforma to this Ministry.
- (c) So far, MHRD has received 164 proposals from the States/UTs for establishing Community Colleges (CCs) in their respective States/UTs from the academic session 2013-14.
- (d) The State/UT-wise details of the proposals received is given at Annexure-I. These proposals have been forwarded to the UGC (in respect of colleges) and to the AICTE (in respect of polytechnics) for their examination and for the release of financial assistance to enable them to implement the scheme from the current academic session 2013.