

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

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CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES IN J & K  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has decided to set up two separate Central Universities for the State of Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the second University has been approved in place of Indian Institute of Management (IIM);
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the funding pattern of these two Universities; and
- (f) the time by which these Universities are likely to be opened?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. The Central Universities (Amendment) Ordinance, 2009 was promulgated by the President on 20.10.2009 to amend the Central Universities Act, 2009. By way of this amendment, the Central University of Jammu and Kashmir has been renamed as the Central University of Kashmir with territorial jurisdiction limited to the Kashmir Division and a new university by the name of Central University of Jammu having territorial jurisdiction extending to the Jammu Division has been established. The Central Universities (Amendment) Bill, 2009 has since been introduced in the Lok Sabha on 24.11.2009 for replacement of the said Ordinance.

(c) and (d): Earlier, the Government had decided to set up one Central University and one Indian Institute of Management (IIM) in the State during the current Plan period but in view of the constant demand for a second Central University and severe constraints on the availability of financial resources, it was decided to shelve the establishment of IIM and to establish a second Central University.

(e) The financial requirement of each of these Universities during the 11th Plan period is estimated at Rs.240 crore. This expenditure would be met by the Central Government through the University Grants Commission.

(f) The first Vice-Chancellor of Central University of Kashmir has already been appointed with effect from 2.3.2009 and, pending finalization of permanent site, the University has started functioning from a temporary office in Srinagar. The process for appointment of the first Vice-Chancellor of Central University of Jammu has also been set in motion and the University is likely to start functioning soon.