

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

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HIGH ENROLMENT RATE  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the State of Himachal Pradesh has achieved a high enrolment rate in the field of higher education which is double the national average; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT.D. PURANDESWARI)

(a),(b) : The gross enrolment ration (GER) in the field of higher education in Himachal Pradesh is 15.93% against the national average of 12.17% in 2006-07 (Provisional). The main reasons for higher enrolment are as:

- (1) availability of adequate number of colleges in the State,
- (2) introduction of various scholarship schemes,
- (3) introduction of free education to girl students up to university level,
- (4) availability of hostels,
- (5) starting of various add-on courses in colleges.