

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

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PH.D AND NET QUALIFIED STUDENTS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the procedure laid down for award of Ph.D degrees; and

(b) the average number of students being awarded Ph.D degree along with the number of students who qualify NET in the Central and Aided Universities/ Colleges every year?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a):The University Grants Commission(UGC) has notified UGC(Minimum standards and Procedure for award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2009 on 11th July, 2009 for standardizing the process of awarding of M.Phil. and Ph.D. degrees. These Regulations apply to every University established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, Provincial Act or a State Act, every institution including constituent or an affiliated College recognized by the Commission, in consultation with the University concerned under clause

(f) of Section 2 of the UGC Act, 1956, and every Institution Deemed to be a University under Section 3 of the said Act. The said Regulations are available on the website of UGC at <http://www.ugc.ac.in/oldpdf/regulations/mphilphdclarification.pdf>.

(b): The number of research degrees (Ph. Ds) awarded by various universities increased from 19,861 in 2011-12 to 20,275 in 2012-13 registering an increase of 2.08%. The total number of candidates qualified for Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and Eligibility for Assistant Professor (including JRF) in the country in UGC-NET during the last six examinations is given below:

UGC-NET Qualified for JRF Qualified for Eligibility for
Assistant Professor (including JRF)

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| December, 2011 | 3237 | 13859 |
| June, 2012 | 5735 | 60793 |
| December, 2012 | 3941 | 41145 |
| June, 2013 | 4468 | 31176 |
| December, 2013 | 5695 | 33033 |
| June, 2014 | 3682 | 24931 |