# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

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## Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up a new Central University for Himalayan Technology in Uttarakhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to replicate Shaala Deep Programme of schools in colleges and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government also proposes to set up National e-Library; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

# Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. As per budget speech by Hon'ble Finance Minister a provision of Rs. 100 crore has been made to set up a National Centre for Himalayan Studies in Uttarakhand.

(c) : Under the Government of India National E- Governance plan (NeGP), the Mission Mode Project of e Governance in School Education (MMP), Ministry of Human Resource Development has decided to implement the Parents Related Services in phase -1 " Shaala Darpan " of the MMP in ICT enabled government and government- aided schools on a pilot mode in the State of Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat and Himachal Prades.

(d) & (e): Yes Madam.

I.Government of India has taken a decision to provide access to a National Electronic Library (NEL) to its citizens including students and teachers in schools, colleges and universities. Most resources in NEL would be available in open access to every citizen of India without any restrictions. However, a few scholarly resources would be subscribed for students, researchers and faculty in colleges and universities and would be available to users in colleges and universities only. Most resources in NEL would be device-independent and can be accessed using a variety of devices including desktops, laptops, tablets, smart phones and other devices.

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