

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

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SELECTION FOR ADMISSION  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the current mode of selection for admissions, which is primarily entrance exam based, is a highly one dimensional method and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this mode only tests the learning and memory capacity of the students and put those students at a disadvantageous position who could not cope with the pressure of the exam but are otherwise equally capable and bright as others and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to modify or overhaul the existing application and admission procedure to the colleges in the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Students emerging from the higher secondary system and seeking admission to professional programmes of study at the undergraduate level in higher education are required to appear in examinations conducted either by the institution or by a consortium of institutions (both at State and National level) or by State agencies on behalf of institutions. For admission to social science and humanities courses on the other hand, the performance of the student at the higher secondary school leaving examinations conducted by Boards of Secondary Education at the Central and State level is usually the determinant of merit in the admission process. The central government has no role to play in the admission procedure to colleges.

(c): Does not arise in view of (a) & (b) above.