

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:569

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GRANT OF FUNDS BY UGC

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

(a) the details of various schemes run by the University Grants Commission(UGC)/Government for grant of funds to the Central/State universities and institutes deemed to be Universities, for the development of infrastructure, basic facilities, research projects etc.;

(b) the details of the funds/grants allocated/released by the Government/University Grants Commission (UGC) under its various schemes during each of the last three years, State/UT and scheme-wise;

(c) the number of requests/proposals received by the Government/UGC from various States for providing sufficient grants to universities and colleges in the States during 2014-15, State-wise; and

(d) the number of proposals pending for approval with reasons therefor and the number of proposals approved by the UGC during the last one year, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 569 FOR 06.05.2015 ASKED BY SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA AND SHRI C.R. CHAUDHARY, HON'BLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING GRANT OF FUNDS BY UGC.

(a): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that promotion and enhancement of research and development in Universities and Colleges is a key focus area of the Commission during the XIth Five Year Plan. Accordingly, the UGC has rolled out a number of schemes and programs under which financial assistance is provided to eligible institutions of higher education in the country as well as directly to Teachers and Students under the scheme of Direct Benefit Transfer. A list of these schemes is enclosed at Annexure-I. The guidelines of these schemes are available at <http://www.ugc.ac.in/page/XI-Plan-Guidelines.aspx>.

Further, the Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS), has been launched during the XIth plan with the aim of reforming the higher education scenario in the states. It is an over-arching scheme, operated in mission mode for funding the state universities and colleges in order to achieve the aims of equity, access and excellence. The funding under the scheme flows from Ministry of Human Resource Development to State institutions, through the State Governments. Further, this funding is in the ratio of 65:35 for general category states and 90:10 for special category states (North-Eastern States, Sikkim, J&K, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand). Funding to states is made on the basis of critical appraisal of State Higher Education Plans (SHEPs). All funding under the RUSA is norm based and future grants are outcome dependent.

(b): A state-wise statement of grants provided by the UGC to higher educational institutions during 2011-12, 2012-13 & 2013-14 is given at Annexure-II. A scheme-wise statement of grants provided by the UGC to higher educational institutions during 2011-12, 2012-13 & 2013-14 is given at Annexure-III. A state-wise statement of grants released under RUSA is at Annexure-IV.

(c) & (d): The UGC does not receive any proposal from the states directly. Under RUSA, as on date, 29 states and 6 UTs have indicated their willingness to be a part of the scheme. 24 states have also submitted their State Higher Education Plans (SHEPs) out of which all have been placed before the Project Approval Board (PAB). These 24 states are namely Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat, Nagaland, Manipur, Punjab, Jammu & Kashmir, Haryana, Odisha, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Chhatisgarh, Mizoram, Tripura, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Telangana and Tamil Nadu.