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

(a) whether it is a fact that hostel facility is not available in many universities and colleges for the outstation students;

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government to make available hostel facilities to all outstation students?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The requirement of hostel facility keeps on changing with the continual increase in enrolment in universities and colleges. In order to address this demand, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that Universities and Colleges have the freedom to prioritise their building projects, including hostels, within the block grants under General Development Scheme during XIIth Plan. The UGC has further informed that at present, there are 423 hostels (243 for boys and 180 for girls) in 39 UGC funded Central Universities and 43 hostels in 8 UGC funded deemed to be universities.

(c): In order to give a special focus on construction of women hostels in universities and colleges, the UGC is implementing a scheme exclusively for construction of such hostels. The guidelines of the scheme are at http://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/6272320_women-hostel-universities.pdf and http://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/5954069_Guidelines-WH.pdf for universities and colleges, respectively.

Similarly the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment is implementing CSS for construction of hostels for OBC, SC, De-notified and Nomadic students. The details of these schemes are at http://socialjustice.nic.in .

The Ministry of Tribal Affairs is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for construction of hostels for ST students. The guidelines of the scheme are at http://tribal.nic.in/Content/CentrallySponsoredSchemeofHostelsforSTboysandSTGirls .aspx

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