

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

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GRANTS/ FUNDS TO UNIVERSITIES /COLLEGES  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether grants have been received by Universities and Colleges in Punjab from the University Grants Commission (UGC), during the last three years and if so, the details thereof, year-wise;
- (b) the details of the criteria for receiving such grants; and
- (c) the number of degree colleges in Punjab which have not received UGC grants, as on 31st March 2013?

**Answer**

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

(a): Yes, Madam. The University Grants Commission (UGC) has released development grants of a total of Rs. 3954.04 lakhs in 2011-12, Rs. 3983.63 lakhs in 2012-13 and Rs. 7710.77 lakhs in 2013-14 to five Universities in Panjab, namely: Central University of Punjab; Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar; Panjab University, Chandigarh; Punjabi University, Patiala and Rajiv Gandhi national Law University, Patiala. The UGC has also released grants of Rs. 390.94 lakhs in 2011-12, Rs. 561.25 lakhs in 2012-13 and Rs. 74.64 lakhs in 2013-14, to the colleges in Punjab, eligible to receive grants under section 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956.

(b): The UGC is releasing development grants, subject to availability of funds, to Central University of Punjab for its infrastructure development and manpower requirement. General Development Grant is also provided to State Universities and Colleges which are included under Section 12(B) of the UGC Act, and within the framework of norms and broad outlays determined by UGC. Under General Plan Development Assistance, the UGC assists each eligible University/College for their overall development covering the aspects namely, enhancing access, ensuring equity, imparting relevant education, improving quality and excellence, providing more Faculty Improvement Programmes, enhancing facilities for students, augmenting research facilities and any other plans of the University/ College. In order to fulfill these objectives, the financial assistance to meet the requirements of the University/College in terms of infrastructure, staff, equipment, books & journals, library etc. can be provided by the UGC under General Plan Development Grant.

(c): The UGC maintains a list of Colleges that apply to it for inclusion under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956. The number of Colleges, in Punjab, that are included under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956, as per the details available on the UGC website [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in) are 245. Out of these 245 colleges, 213 colleges are also covered under Section 12B and have been declared fit to receive grants. During the XIth plan period, 149 out of these 213 colleges have received grants and the balance 64 colleges have not received grants as on 31st March, 2013.