

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON
REVIEW MECHANISM FOR DEEMED UNIVERSITIES .

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the UGC and his Ministry have set up parallel mechanisms to review the recognition and functioning of the deemed universities;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that despite such review by his Ministry, the UGC has been approving the applications for deemed university status; and
- (c) if so, the rationale for such parallel evaluation of deemed universities?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

- (a) : No, Sir. The review of institutions 'deemed to be universities' by the University Grants Commission (UGC) as well as an independent review by a Committee of experts have been ordered by the Government with distinct mandates. While the review by UGC is to ascertain the status of infrastructure and faculty resources, the review by the Committee of experts is to assess the justification for the continuation of institution as deemed to be universities. There is no overlap between the two exercises of review.
- (b): No, Sir. Applications for declaration as institutions 'deemed to be universities' have been put on hold till the processes of review.
- (c): Does not arise.