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CAMPUS AND INFRASTRUCTURE IN CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES .

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

- (a) whether the new Central Universities which were meant to boost enrolment of higher education are without basic infrastructure;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that these universities operate from make shift campuses and are short of teachers, staff and they have still not been allotted land to set up campuses and students are keeping away from these Universities; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government to provide basic infrastructure and make these Universities to function in a full fledged manner?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

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(a) to (c): The 16 Central Universities established under the Central Universities Act, 2009 are at various stages of development. The first Vice-Chancellors have been appointed in all Universities, except in the Central University of Jammu where the process of selection of Vice-Chancellor is underway. Likewise, the first Executive Council and the Academic Council have been constituted in all except in the Central University of Jammu. The permanent locations of these Central Universities have been identified in all States except Bihar and Kerala where the State Governments have been requested to offer alternative site(s). Pending development of their permanent campuses, all the new Central Universities have started their academic activities from temporary premises. The Universities are in the process of framing their Statutes/ Ordinances on establishment of Schools of Studies and teaching departments and on appointment of faculty and, therefore, their academic programmes are for the present being run through short-term, contract/ guest faculty. Some of the Universities have also resorted to appointment of senior faculty by way of invitation under the special mode of recruitment. Since these Universities are at their initial stages of development, it is understandable that they would not be able to attract and accommodate students in a very large number. However, some of them have been able to enrol students up to their intake capacity. The Central Government on its part is making sure that their growth and development do not suffer on account of any institutional or financial constraints.