

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 32
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18th DECEMBER, 2017

Turning Educational Institutions into Universities

*32. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

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

- (a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) has asked 12 standalone educational institutes to turn into universities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to disallow the institutions which do not comply with the said direction from offering diplomas and certificate course; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)**

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A),(B), (C) & (D) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 32 FOR 18TH DECEMBER, 2017 ASKED BY ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR REGARDING TURNING EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS INTO UNIVERSITIES

(a) to (d):No, Madam. As per the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), it has not issued any such directions to twelve (12) Standalone Institutions. However, as per the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017, after the academic session 2017-18, the Standalone Institutions shall be free to get converted to a University or Deemed to be University, failing which, the Commission shall not accord any approval to the Open and Distance Learning programmes of Standalone Institutions.
