

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2308
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2015**

EXCHANGE OF FACULTY

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to launch any scheme for exchange of faculty among all the educational institutes in order to share knowledge at every level; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (b) : University Grants Commission (UGC) has a scheme of 'Joint Appointment for Exchange of Human Resources' between universities and other Institutions/Organizations'. The objective of the scheme is to improve the academic environment in the university system by promoting collaboration and formal linkages with other universities, national laboratories, institutes of national importance and industrial research & development laboratories in all branches of knowledge through programme of teaching, training and research and to encourage non university institutions to benefit from the expertise in the university system.

The Ministry of Human Resource Development has launched the Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) to bring in foreign academicians to teach courses in Government Institutions of higher learning. Each teaching module is a one week (12 to 14 hours) or two week (24 to 28 hours) course which is taught by a faculty from abroad in an Indian academic Institution, sometimes jointly with the Indian host faculty. Till now 352 Courses with foreign experts from about 38 countries are either approved or under approval and others are in the process of review.
