

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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 74
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30TH NOVEMBER, 2015

Setting up of Arts and Crafts University

74. SHRIMATI KAVITHA KALVAKUNTLA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has set up a committee to explore the possibility of setting up of any university dedicated to arts and crafts in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposal from any State/UT Governments in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the time by which these are likely to be set up?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has constituted a committee to explore the possibility of opening a University dedicated to arts and crafts under the chairmanship of Additional Secretary (Technical), MHRD. The Members of the Committee are Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), Ministry of Textiles, Joint Secretary (Handicrafts), Ministry of Textiles, representatives of Ministry of Culture and Ministry of Tourism, Joint Secretary (HE) and Director (U.Policy), MHRD.

(c) & (d): No, Madam. This Ministry has not received any proposal in this regard.

(e): Does not arise in view of (c) & (d) above.
