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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Projects by Coordinating with Industries

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

- (a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) has advised all the universities to make projects by coordinating with industries and take their help for improving the curriculum;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the UGC has made any guidelines for the same; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that it has framed the guidelines for the scheme of setting up of University-Industry Inter-Linkage (UIL) Centers in universities. The establishment of UIL Centres will help in identifying the expertise available in the university which can be of use for the industries in the locality/region by way of consultancy services, evaluation of Research & Development activities of the industries, etc.; taking the help of the expertise of the industries to improve/redesign the curriculum periodically in tune with the requirements of the industries; creating skilled manpower for industry requirements at various levels; conducting Management Development Programmes (MDPs), Entrepreneurship Development Programmes (EDPs), etc.; initiating schemes for student/teacher training, joint research; setting up Science & Technology Entrepreneurs' Parks (STEPs), Technology Business Incubators (TBIs); etc.

The guidelines of the scheme are available at http://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/0971667_English.pdf .