

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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INTRODUCTION OF NEW COURSES BY UGC  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

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- (a) whether UGC proposes to introduce new courses;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the courses offered in India are at par with those such as USA and UK; and
- (d) if so, time by which the courses in India are likely to be brought at par with other countries?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

- (a) & (b): According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), the UGC does not introduce courses. The courses are introduced by the universities and colleges which, in turn, are funded by the UGC.
- (c): Equivalence of degrees and other awards are determined by individual universities. Qualifications awarded by Indian Universities are recognized by Universities in other countries accordingly.
- (d): In view of the reply to part (c), question does not arise.