

Campuses of foreign education providers

***164. SHRIAMAR SINGH:
SHRIABU ASIMAZMI:**

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

(a) whether Government have permitted certain foreign education providers to set up campuses in the country for imparting higher education;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the terms and conditions imposed on those institutions; and

(c) by when these campuses are likely to start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIARJUN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Economic development of women

***165. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT:** Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by her Ministry for women development in the year 2006-07 to make them economically self-reliant;

(b) whether Gender Budgeting is being followed by all Ministries; and

(c) if so, the Ministry-wise break-up thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing schemes of Support to Training and Employment Programme for Women (STEP) and Swayamsidha with a view to make women economically self-reliant. These Schemes basically aim at providing training for skill upgradation of women beneficiaries, development of entrepreneurial skills, assets creation, mobilize them into small viable groups and enable them to take up employment-cum-income generation activities to increase their self-reliance and autonomy. In addition, Rashtriya Mahila Kosh (RMK) extends, micro credit support for income generation to poor women grouped into Self-