

According to the University Grants Commission, the following institutions 'deemed-to-be-universities' have approved off-shore campuses:-

Sl. No.	Name of Institutions 'Deemed-to-be University'	Country
1.	Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani, Rajasthan	United Arab Emirates
2.	Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Mesra, Ranchi	Oman, Bahrain
3.	Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal	Malaysia, United Arab Emirates and Oman.
4.	Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation, Salem, Tamil Nadu	Thailand
5.	Sri Ramachandra Medical College and Research Institute, Chennai	Mauritius

(c) and (d) Public Universities and institutions may set up campuses abroad, if so permitted under the relevant State Act or Memorandum of Association, under which a university or institution is established. According to the existing provisions, a Central University is not allowed to open off-shore campus(es).

Revisiting educational system in schools

1779. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is proposed to revisit the educational system in schools; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL) : (a) and (b) A 'Round Table on School Education' has been constituted to advise and make recommendations on improving the school education system in the country and to suggest means of implementation thereof. Discussions in the Round Table are an on-going process for interactions on school education. So far three meetings of the Round Table have been held.

Grants to universities for research in science

†1780. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the grants given to universities for research in science during the last three years and grants proposed for the next five years, year-wise; and

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