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38.	University of Allahabad, Allahabad.	Uttar Pradesh
39.	Hemawati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University, Srinagar	Uttarakhand
40.	Visva Bharati, Shanti Niketan	West Bengal

Status of central universities in Bihar

1927. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the status of the two central universities approved for Bihar;
- (b) how much amount is allocated for both the universities; and
- (c) the details of amount already released and spent on development of the two universities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR): (a) The first Central University which was established by the Central Universities Act, 2009 by the name of the Central University of Bihar, is functional and is operating from a temporary location at BIT Campus, Patna. The Central Universities (Amendment) Bill, 2012, for the establishment of a second Central University in the State of Bihar has been introduced in the Lok Sabha during the Winter Session 2013 of Parliament.

(b) and (c) According to the University Grants Commission, Rs. 45.30 crore has been released to the Central University of Bihar and as on 31.12.2013 the University had expended Rs. 26.36 crore. The allocation of funds to the 2nd Central University of Bihar could be made only when the relevant Bill regarding the setting up of this University is passed by Parliament.

Central status to Ravenshaw University

1928. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal of declaring Ravenshaw University of Odisha as central university; and