

**Status of Centres for Study on Social Exclusion  
and Inclusive Policy**

2005. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether 34 'Centres for Study on Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy' attached to some of the State and Central Universities had been set up under Eleventh Plan;

(b) whether these Centres are yet to be regularized;

(c) if so, what would be their status after March 2019, if the Universities do not accept the liability; and

(d) whether there is any plan to extend central assistance to the Universities for continuation of the centres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH): (a) The University Grants Commission (UGC) had setup 33 Centres for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy in various Universities under XI Plan.

(b) to (d) UGC has approved continuation of the scheme "Establishment of Centres in Universities for study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy" beyond XII Plan upto 31.03.2019. Continuation of the scheme beyond 31.03.2019 will depend upon the review of the scheme.

**Trained cooks-cum-helpers for mid-day meals**

2006. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has sent guidelines to all the State Governments to get cooks-cum-helpers trained by master trainers to cook mid-day meals in schools;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) what steps are being taken to ensure that capacity of workforce at field level is built on in an ongoing basis; and

(d) what is the number of cooks who have been trained and appointed as master trainers during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA): (a) and (b) On the request of Department of School Education and Literacy, MHRD, Govt. of India in December 2012,