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Ministry of Human Resource Development had constituted a Committee of experienced and credible academicians to recommend restructuring and strengthening UGC for attaining even better performance to meet the desired objective. The Committee headed by Dr. Hari Gautam has submitted their report to Secretary (Higher Education). The report is yet to be examined in the Ministry. The news report that UGC is getting scrapped is incorrect and uncalled for. The mandate given to the Committee was to analyse, review and recommend to the Ministry, the architecture required, and the Ministry will have to take a view after going through it threadbare. Hence, no such decision has been taken and the recommendations are yet to be understood and analysed before any decision is taken in the matter. UGC has been created by an Act of the Parliament and cannot be unilaterally scrapped.

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