

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:259
ANSWERED ON:05.12.2002
UPGRADATION OF F.T.I.I.
RAMSHETH THAKUR

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have a plan to upgrade the Film and Television Institute of India to a world class institution;
- (b) if so, the details of the plan formulated therefor; and
- (c) the financial assistance likely to be provided for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (c) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 259 FOR ANSWER ON 05.12.2002

(a) to (c) : The Film and Television Institute of India (FTII)Pune is a world class institution in the field of cinema and television training, affiliated to Centre International de Liaison des Ecoles de Cinema et de Television (CILECT), the association of the world's major film and television schools. Some of the most eminent actors, actresses, Directors and technicians who have brought laurels to the country in the world of cinema constitute the alumni of the Institute. The Institute has a quota of two seats reserved for the Afro-Asian students in every batch year.

The Institute's governance and significant policy planning is done by a Governing council constituted for a block period of three years from out of the Members of the FTII Society, which comprises eminent persons from the world of cinema and official Members. The Central Government releases grants to the Society depending on its yearly requirements.

The Government also continually reviews the requirement of the Institute in terms of its infrastructural and other developmental needs. It is the endeavour of the Government to strengthen the Institute, both administratively and financially. With this aim, focus has been given to the Human Resource Development of the Institute under the 10th Plan Proposal through an increased emphasis on promoting exposure to new practices and trends with other institutions, both for the faculty and students. An outlay of Rs. 12.10 crore has been provided for the Institute under the 10th Plan.