

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF PROFESSIONAL COLLEGES IN BACKWARD AREAS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a need to set up more professional colleges in the backward areas;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has issued any guidelines to State Governments in this regard;
- (c) if so, the response of the State Governments thereto during the last three years; and
- (d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Union Government to promote professional education in the backward areas in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) to (d) : As per the information furnished by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), they consider proposals received from various applicants for establishment of Technical Institutes based on the No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the concerned State Government. While issuing the NOC, the State Government is required to keep in view its perspective plan including desirability to promote professional education in the backward areas.