

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:207

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SETTING UP OF IIT S

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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal from the State Governments particularly from State Government of Kerala for setting up of NTs; and

(b) if so, the details indicating the status thereof, State-wise?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATM1):

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. In view of the announcement made by the Prime Minister on 15th August, 2003 that five new NTs will be set up by upgrading promising academic institutions, the Government has constituted an Expert Committee to identify such academic institutions. A number of proposals from various State Governments have been received by the Government and are under consideration of the Expert Committee. A list of such proposals received from the states is given in enclosed statement. One of the proposals pertains to the upgradation of College of Engineering, Tiruvananthapuram, Kerala to an India Institute of Technology (IIT). The Report of the Committee is awaited.