GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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

(a) whether IITs and some other educational institutions in the country have decided to hike their fees;

(b) if so, the names of the institutions which have declared their intention to hike their fees so far;

(c) the revised fee structure envisaged in the proposals put forward by each of the said institutions separately;

(d) whether education is likely to become very expensive as a result thereof;and

(e) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a)to(e): Education is in the Concurrent List of the Constitution of India.As far as Central educational Institutions (Government of India) are concerned, the status is as under:

On the recommendation of the Standing Committee of IIT Council(SCIC), the tuition fees in IITs have been revised as under:

B.Tech - Rs.25,000 per semester M.Tech - Rs. 25,000 per semester (with a fee waiver of Rs. 20,000 for non-sponsored candidates)

There is no change in the existing exemption of tuition fees for SC/ST students.

The Memoranda of Association of all Indian Institutes of management (IIMs) empower their respective Board of Governors to fix the fees and the matter of fixing of fees does not fall within the jurisdiction of the Government. The Institutes are enjoying academic and administrative autonomy and are not seeking any approval of the Government for any fee likes. The Board of Governors of six Indian institutes of Management(IIMs)located at Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Kolkata, Lucknow, Indore and Kozhikode has decided to raise the fees for their Post Graduate Programme(PGP) in Management from academic year 2008-09. The details of fee in each IIM is as under:

S.No. Name of Fee for 1st year PGP (Rs. In lakh) Institute 2007-08 2008-09

- 1. IIM Ahmedabad 2.00 5.50
- 2 IIM Bangalore 2.50 4.00
- 3 IIM Calcutta 2.01 3.00
- 4 IIM Lucknow 1.095 2.50
- 5 IIM Indore 1.90 3.00
- 6 IIM Kozhikode 1.90 3.00

All the IIMs provide need-based scholarships to their students and easy bank loans are also being provided by the Banks to the students of IIMs.

University grants Commission (UGC) has constituted an Expert Committee to prepare draft Regulations for admission and fee structure in self- financing Universities and Colleges.

Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) and Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) do not have any proposal to hike fees.

CBSE has informed that they have not received any representation or complaint regarding revision of fee by any of its affiliated schools. The affiliation bye-laws of the CBSE prescribe-

Fee charged should be commensurate with the facilities provided by the institutions.

Fee should normally be charged under the Heads prescribed by the Department of Education of the State/Ut concerned.

The affiliation Bye-Laws of CBSE, further, prescribe that the Organisations running the schools shall ensure that the school is run as a community service and not as a business and that commercialization does not take place in the school in any shape whatsoever.