

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

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RECOGNITION TO EDUCATIONAL/TECHNICAL INSTITUTIONS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the norms/criteria prescribed for granting recognition to educational/technical institutions by University Grants Commission (UGC)/All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE);
- (b) the number of educational/technical institutions operating without the UGC/AICTE norms in the country particularly in the State of Madhya Pradesh;
- (c) whether the Union Government has received any complaints against such institutions;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has laid down a detailed criteria, in the form of an Approval Process Handbook, for granting approval to the technical institutions in the country. The said norms/guidelines are available on the AICTE website (www.aicte-india.org). The UGC grants recognition to Colleges in terms of regulations framed under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, which are available on the UGC website www.ugc.ac.in. There are 21 Universities/Institutions running in the country, including, one in Madhya Pradesh, which have been identified as fake by the University Grant Commission (UGC). As per the information furnished by AICTE, an estimated number of 134 technical institutions are operating without AICTE's approval.

(c) to (e): The AICTE receives complaints from various stakeholders and also gathers information through the advertisements made by such institutions. The list of unapproved institutions is placed on the AICTE website www.aicte-india.org, for information of the general public and students. Public Notices are also issued in various newspapers and displayed on AICTE website cautioning the students regarding unapproved institutions imparting technical education.