

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4165  
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SETTING UP OF NEW POLYTECHNICS  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Orissa is facing shortage of skilled manpower to exploit the metallurgical and energy potential;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and the reasons therefore;
- (c) whether the Government has received any request/demand from the State Government of Orissa for an assistance of Rs. 828 crore for establishment of new polytechnics in the State;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the State Government of Orissa has also submitted a memorandum to the 13th Finance Commission for enhanced funds for setting up of new Polytechnics and development of their infrastructure for the said purpose; and
- (f) if so, the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, Sir. As per the reply furnished by the Industries Department, Govt. of Orissa, the State Govt. of Orissa is expecting an increase in the demand of Skilled Manpower because of the initiatives taken by it for investment promotion towards setting up of Mineral based Industries such as Steel, Power, Alumina/Aluminium, Cement etc.
- (c) & (d) No, Sir. In the information furnished by Industries Department, Govt. of Orissa, they have mentioned that no proposal worth Rs. 828 crore has been sent by Govt. of Orissa for establishment of new Polytechnics. However, under the Scheme of "Sub- Mission on Polytechnics", this Ministry has approved for providing financial assistance to the State Govt. of Orissa for establishment of new Polytechnics in 22 un-served/underserved districts of the State.
- (e) & (f) No, Sir. However, the State Govt. of Orissa has informed that it has submitted a proposal to 13th Finance Commission to avail financial assistance of Rs. 240.00 crore for setting up of 40 new ITIs @ Rs. 6.00 crore per ITI at the block level where no ITI/ITC exists.