

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

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COLLABORATION WITH FOREIGN INSTITUTIONS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether collaborations of the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Pune with the University of Glasgow and Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Punjab with Imperial College of London have been envisaged for development of the Institute;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the salient features of the said collaboration;
- (c) whether any agreement has been signed in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof ; and
- (e) if not, the time by which these collaborations will be formalized?

Answer

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

(a) & (b)- Yes sir, collaboration between Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Pune and University of Glasgow and Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Punjab with Imperial College of London has been formalized by way of MoUs' between these institutes, which is valid for five years. The broad areas of collaboration identified by the set of these four Institutions are:

- i. Exchange of academic and administrative staff
- ii. Exchange of students
- iii. Conducting collaborative research projects or training programmes
- iv. Conducting lectures, symposia & workshops etc. on topics of mutual interest
- v. Exchange of academic information and materials
- vi. Investigate the possibility of joint degree programmes (in case of IISER Pune & University of Glasgow)

(c) & (d) For both collaborations, the agreements have been signed on 13.01.2010 at London. It was signed by Director, IISER Pune and Principal & Vice Chancellor, Glasgow University and for IIT Punjab and Imperial College of London, it was signed between Director IIT, Punjab and Rector, Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine.

(e) Does not arise.