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 the Union Government has formulated any guidelines to allow Indian Universities and Government run institutions to run business abroad to fund higher education for the poor back home and to expand the educational infrastructure in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Union Government to expand the educational infrastructure in the country?

Answer

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

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): The Xth Five Year Plan outlay on Higher Education is nearly 10 times of the actual expenditure under the Xth Five Year Plan with such priorities as are going to significantly increase the access to higher education along with equity and excellence in our universities and colleges. 15 new Central Universities (including the conversion of three State Universities into Central Universities) have been established with effect from 15.1.2009 in hitherto uncovered States. 14 National Universities with world class standards are proposed to be set up during Xth and Xllth plan period. A new scheme for assisting the State Universities/State Governments for establishing a model college in each of the 374 districts which have a Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) lower than the national level, is under consideration. Eight new IITs in the country have been set up. A proposal to set up Indian Institutes of Information Technology (IIITs) in the Public Private Partnership (PPP) Mode is under consideration in the Ministry of Human Resource Development during the Xth Five Year Plan. The Xth Five Year Plan envisages establishment of eight IIMs in the country. A new Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely "National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology" has been launched by the Government to leverage the potential of ICT, in teaching and learning process.