

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government has not implemented General Provident Fund and Pension Scheme to the employees of National Institute of Technology (NIT), Silchar, Assam;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there is demand from various quarters for extending this scheme to the above said institute;
- (d) if so, the decision of the Union Government thereto; and
- (e) the time by which this scheme is likely to be implemented in NIT, Silchar?

Answer

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

(a) to (b) : Yes Sir. The General Provident Fund and Pension Scheme has not been implemented in National Institute of Technology, Silchar (Assam). This is because of the fact that at the time of conversion of the then Regional Engineering College, Silchar to National Institute of Technology, Silchar during 2003, there was no General Provident Fund and Pension Scheme present in the Regional Engineering College, Silchar.

(c) to (e) : The demands for implementation of General Provident Fund and Pension Scheme were received from other two National Institutes of Technology (NITs) viz Dr. B.R. Ambedkar NIT – Jalandhar (Punjab) and NIT – Kurukshetra (Haryana) also. These demands along with the demand from National Institute of Technology, Silchar were taken up with Ministry of Finance. The Ministry Finance instead advised for introduction of New Pension Scheme (NPS) which has come into force from 1st January, 2004.