GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the present status of Delhi College of Engineering (DCE);
- (b) whether the status of DCE was recently converted to Delhi Technological University;
- (c) if so, the exact date and reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the students, parents and teachers have demanded to maintain the status-quo-ante nature of University or accord the status of IIT/NIT to it; and
- (e) if so, the final decision of the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Delhi College of Engineering (DCE), an erstwhile constituent college of Delhi University, maintained by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (NCTD) has been converted into Delhi Technological University (DTU) by the State Legislature of NCTD. At present, it is a non-affiliating teaching-cum-research University under the DTU Act, 2009 that has come into force with effect from 15th July, 2009.

According to the information furnished by the DTU, the Delhi College of Engineering was converted to DTU to incorporate it as a non-affiliating, teaching and research University to facilitate and promote studies, research, technology incubation, product innovation and extension work in Applied Sciences, Engineering and Technology and Management and also to achieve excellence in higher education in these areas.

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. There has been demand to maintain the status –quo-ante nature of the University. This Ministry has no role in the administrative/academic matters of a State University and the matter is sub-judice. Under section 4 (e) of the DTU Act, 2009, the students of the DCE who joined classes before the establishment of the University shall continue to pursue their academic courses and programs of study under the enrolment and affiliation of the University of Delhi.