

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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COMMUNITY POLYTECHNICS IN NER  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of functional community polytechnics in the North-Eastern region including Sikkim;
- (b) whether the community polytechnics model can be used to promote regional technical innovations; and
- (c) if so, the efforts being made by the Government to capture North-Eastern regional technical innovations?

**Answer**

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

(a) The Community Polytechnic Scheme was withdrawn by the Government in 2007. In its place a new scheme called Community Development Through Polytechnics (CDTP) has been launched by the Government to provide short term non formal skill development courses in various fields to the local community. Seven polytechnics are implementing the scheme in North Eastern Region.

(b) & (c) Yes, Sir. The Guidelines of the new CDTP Scheme provide that to accelerate the activities in the field of dissemination and application of technology, implementing polytechnics should identify location specific proven technologies and these should be transferred to the villages in a targeted manner.