

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SETTING UP OF NITs
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Institutes of Technology (NITs) have been set up in all the States/Union Territories in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and location-wise;
- (c) if not, whether the Union Government proposes to set up more NITs in the country including the State of Uttar Pradesh;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether NITs have succeeded in establishing their space in the prevailing technical and educational environment; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (b): Upto the 10th Plan, there were 20 National Institutes of Technology (NITs) located at Agartala (Tripura), Allahabad (Uttar Pradesh), Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh), Calicut(Kerala), Durgapur (West Bengal), Hamirpur (Himachal Pradesh), Jaipur (Rajasthan), Jalandhar(Punjab), Jamshedpur (Jharkhand), Kurukshetra (Haryana), Nagpur (Maharashtra), Patna (Bihar), Raipur (Chhattisgarh), Rourkela (Orissa), Silchar (Assam), Srinagar (Jammu & Kashmir), Surat(Gujarat), Surathkal (Karnataka), Tiruchirapalli (Tamil Nadu) and Warangal (Andhra Pradesh).]

(c) to (d): As the 11th Five Year Plan provides for setting up of 10 new National Institutes of Technology (NITs) so as to have one each in all the major States/UTs, new NITs have been operationalised for (i) Arunachal Pradesh, (ii) Manipur, (iii) Meghalaya, (iv) Mizoram, (v) Nagaland, (vi) Goa (which will also cater to the UTs of Daman & Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Lakshadweep), (vii) Puducherry (which will also cater to the UT of Andaman & Nicobar Islands), (viii) Sikkim, (ix) Delhi (which will also cater to the UT of Chandigarh), and (x) Uttarakhand. As far as setting up of new NITs in Uttar Pradesh, there is already an NIT in Allahabad.

(e) to (f): NITs form a very important segment among the premier Technical Institutions in the country to promote Quality Technical Education and Research. Considering their role in providing high quality technical manpower for regional and national requirements, these Institutions have been given the status of 'Institutions of National Importance'. At present, the older 20 NITs have an intake capacity of 13321 undergraduate and 6690 postgraduate students per year. The NITs also contribute to Ph.D. and research studies with nearly 923 students involved in research during 2009 – 2010. 10 new NITs have a total intake of 900 at present.