

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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MEETING WITH IIT DIRECTORS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has held a meeting with the IIT Directors at Manesar near Delhi recently; and
- (b) if so, the details of the issues discussed and the decisions taken therein?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): In the meeting, it was decided to form Committees to address the following issues:-

- (i) suggesting a the roadmap on how the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) can become among the Top 50/100 Institutions in the world during the coming five years,
- (ii) suggesting ways of diversification of syllabi to make it more industry friendly and relevant to the needs of a developing economy,
- (iii) streamlining and rationalizing of the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE), Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE), etc,
- (iv) drawing a blue-print on the new governance structure within IITs,
- (v) infrastructure requirement for research,
- (vi) developing external linkages,
- (vii) means to attract grants from UNESCO, foundations and other multi-lateral agencies such as the European Union,etc.