

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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RESOURCE CENTRES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is urgent need to provide national level key Resource centre in different parts of the country for imparting training and empowerment programme in the rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the number of such category of key Resource centres have been sanctioned in the different States of the country;
- (c) whether the demand for sanctioning a national level key Resource centre at Bhubaneswar, Orissa has been considered for its sanction; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN 'ADITYA')

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b): 22 key Resource centres have been identified in various States of the country.
- (c) & (d): Institute of Minerals & Materials Technology (IMMT), Bhubaneswar has been identified as one of the key Resource centres.