

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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NIFT CENTRES  
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of new National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) centres proposed at different cities/towns in the country, location-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has initiated a bridge course for students who have passed from NIFT between 1986-2006 Diploma course to pursue Post-Graduate course;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the number of students admitted in the last three years in different centres of NIFT under OBC quota, centre-wise and course-wise;
- (f) whether there is any backlog in OBC quota; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof, centre-wise and course-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SMT. PANABAACA LAKSHMI)

(a): Two new Centres are proposed to be opened at (1) NIFT Centre at Budgam (Jammu & Kashmir) and (2) NIFT Speciality Centre at Coimbatore (Tamil Nadu).

(b) & (c): Yes, Madam. A Bridge Programme has been introduced since 2009 as a supplementary program for NIFT Alumni to enhance their Diplomas to Degrees. The Bridge Programme has been conceptualized primarily for Alumni to pursue PG programme- GMT/PG Tech/AMM/AMMM/LD/TD/KD/FC and UG Programme AD / FD. The duration of the Bridge Programme is six months for PG Diploma holders and one year for UG Diploma holders.

In 2009 the Bridge Programme was offered in two Centres i.e. NIFT Delhi (MFT and PG Design) and Gandhinagar (MFT). A total of 56 students got their Diplomas enhanced to Degrees under this Programme 2009.

In 2010 Bridge Programme has been implemented at Delhi, Bengaluru, Chennai, Gandhinagar, Hyderabad, Kolkata and Mumbai and over 100 Graduates in PG Diploma Programme and over 70 in UG Programme are currently enrolled and pursuing the Programme at the respective Centres.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): The number of students admitted in the last three years in different centres of NIFT on OBC quota, centres-wise and course-wise is given below:

COURSE-WISE

Name of Course	2008	2009	2010	Total
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Bachelor of Design	162	317	349	828
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Bachelor of Fashion Technology 30 45 87 162

Master of Design 16 15 16 47

Master of Fashion Management 24 27 87 138

Master of Fashion Technology 6 13 25 44

Total 238 417 564 1219

CENTRE-WISE

Sl.No. Centre 2008 2009 2010 Total

(1) Bangalore 27 50 67 144

(2) Bhopal 12 18 16 46

(3) Chennai 24 37 49 110

(4) Gandhinagar 21 31 50 102

(5) Hyderabad 19 44 58 121

(6) Kannur 10 13 18 41

(7) Kolkata 23 37 48 108

(8) Mumbai 27 45 58 130

(9) New Delhi 43 68 82 193

(10) Patna 9 10 16 35

(11) Rae Bareli 10 15 16 41

(12) Shillong 13 14 12 39

(13) Kangra - 35 39 74

(14) Jodhpur - - 18 18

(15) Bhubneshwar - - 17 17

Total 238 417 564 1219

(f): No, Madam.

(g): Does not arise.