

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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STATUS OF NPTEL
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of National Programme on Technology Enhance Learning (NPTEL) Project;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to offer degrees and diplomas to students enrolled on virtual university;
- (c) if so, whether these degrees and diplomas are treated at par with such certificates granted by Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and Indian Institutes of Science (IISc); and
- (d) if so, the action plan to develop infrastructure in the tribal areas of the country for the help of students to upgrade their technical skills?

Answer

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

- (a): Content development for more than 950 courses in 20 or more Science and Engineering disciplines, covering both undergraduate and postgraduate courses is undertaken in phase-II of the NPTEL.
- (b)to (d): Do not arise since there is no virtual university as on date.