

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:290
ANSWERED ON:16.03.2011
Admission in IIMs
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether no uniform criteria exists for selection of candidates for the courses offered by the Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has taken note of the arbitrary change(s) in criteria made by some IIMs after the results of the Common Admission Tests were announced;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (e) the corrective action taken in the matter; and
- (f) the other steps taken or proposed to be taken for uniform criteria for selection of candidates in IIMs?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 290 FOR 16.03.2011 ASKED BY SHRI C.R. PATIL, M.P. REGARDING "ADMISSION IN IIMs."

(a)&(b): As per information provided by the Indian Institutes of managements (IIMs), IIMs follow uniform eligibility criteria in Common Admission test (CAT). Admission to various IIMs and courses therein is made through admission policies developed by the individual IIM, and CAT scores are used as one of the inputs in the admission process. Other inputs include inter alia marks in class 10, class 12 and graduations and work experience.

(c): As per information given by Indian Institute of Management no such arbitrary change in criteria has been effected after the announcement of CAT results.

(d) & (e): Does not arise.

(f): IIMs, like other Central Educational Institutions, have autonomy in academic matters and each IIM is competent to decide its criteria for admission to its programmes including weightage to be given to scores obtained in CAT relative to other criteria.