

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1596
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UPGRADATION OF FTII
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to upgrade Film and Television Institute of India (FTII) set up in Pune and other parts of the country as a Centre of Excellence;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether a Group of Experts (GoE)/Committee set up by the Government for the purpose has submitted its report;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which such report is likely to be submitted;
- (e) the extent to which up gradation of the FTII would be beneficial for the students;
- (f) whether the Government also proposes to increase the number of faculty and hostels in the said institutes;
- (g) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING (DR. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN)

- (a) & (b): Government proposes to declare Film and Television Institute of India, Pune (FTII) and Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute, Kolkata (SRFTI) as institutes of national importance through an Act of Parliament. The Government has also undertaken a project to upgrade the infrastructure of FTII during 11th and 12th Plan period in a phased manner.
- (c) & (d): FTII, Pune constituted a Group of Experts to help the Institute in preparation of a Detailed Project Report (DPR) for implementation of the upgradation of the infrastructure of FTII. The Group of Experts submitted the DPR which was considered by the Governing Council of FTII in its meeting held on 6th July, 2011. The Governing Council has suggested some improvements to the DPR.
- (e): The upgradation of the Institute would benefit the students substantially with availability of new studios, equipment and other facilities. This would help students in keeping pace with the technological changes that are taking place in the industry.
- (f) & (g): Depending upon the intake of students and introduction of new courses, efforts are made to increase the number of faculty as well as enhance the hostel facilities.