

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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UNIVERSITY STATUS TO FTII & SRFTI
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government proposes to bring a law to recognize the degrees awarded by the Film Television Institute of India (FTII), Pune and the Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute by awarding these institutes a University status;
- (b) If so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be implemented;
- (c) If not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) A Bill primarily to declare the Film and Television Institutes under the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting as Institutes of National Importance on similar lines to that of IIT, NIT and NIFT with a view to have a reorganised administrative structure, academic body and also with a view to give statutory recognition to the courses being conducted by the Institutes, has been proposed. This involves wide consultations with other Departments/Ministries and other processes such as obtaining approval before being introduced. This is, therefore, a time consuming process and it would be difficult to prescribe a time limit at this stage.