GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2205 ANSWERED ON:07.12.2011 REVIEW OF ITS FUNCTIONING Adityanath Shri Yogi

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of setting up of Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) in the country;
- (b) whether the functioning of IITs has been reviewed in the recent past;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the steps taken/being taken by the Government to revamp the ITs keeping in view the emerging scenario in the educational sector?

Answer

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

- (a) : The Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) have been established with a view to providing for instruction and research in such branches of engineering and technology, science and arts, as the Institutes may think fit, and for the advancement of learning and dissemination of knowledge in such branches.
- (b) to (d): Pursuant to the decision taken by the Council of IIT, a Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. Anil Kakodkar, Chairman, Board of Governors, IIT-Bombay, was constituted to suggest a roadmap for the autonomy and future of the IITs as world- class institutions for research and higher leaning. The IIT Council has since accepted the report of the Committee and constituted an empowered Task Force for implementation of its recommendations.