

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of students from backward/tribal regions of the country sponsored to various projects abroad under Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) programme during the last three years and the current year, country-wise; and

(b) the number of foreign students involved in the projects in our country from partner countries under ITEC?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SMT. PRENEET KAUR)

(a) Indian students are not sponsored under the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) programme.

(b) Foreign students are not sponsored under the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) programme for projects in our country. However, under the ITEC programme, about 7400 slots have been allocated to partner countries for training in vocational courses in the year 2011-12.