

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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DOEACC AFFILIATED INSTITUTES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the computer courses run by DOEACC Society are equivalent to AICTE and the scholarship is provided to SC,ST and OBC students in various States who are studying in the DOEACC affiliated Institutes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether courses run by DOEACC have been made compulsory for Government Service;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the number of institutes run by DOEACC society on regular basis along with the number of institutes in which scholarship is not being provided, State-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard and also the measures taken/proposed to be taken to make the computer courses affordable to poor students?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SACHIN PILOT)

(a), (b) and (e): National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology [NIELIT-formerly DOEACC Society] is implementing DOEACC Scheme, a joint scheme of All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) and Department of Electronics (now Department of Electronics and Information Technology) under which O/A/B/C levels of computer courses are being offered. Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) recognised O level as equivalent to Foundation level, A level as equivalent to Advance Diploma and B level as equivalent to MCA for vacancies in Central Government Services vide Notification No.(43) dated 01.03.1995 as amended vide subsequent Notification No.(49) dated 10.04.1996 in case of O & A levels and Notification No.(54) dated 26.09.2000 in case of B level.

NIELIT is providing free training to SC/ST candidates at its own centres. In addition, examination fee is refunded to SC/ST candidates who pass DOEACC Scheme courses through Accredited Institutes.

NIELIT has a scholarship scheme for SC/ST/ differently abled and female students who are pursuing full time DOEACC O/A/B/C level courses through an authorised institute. Under this scholarship scheme, an amount equivalent to four times the examination fee is provided to the candidates (whose parental income is not more than Rs.1.0 lakh per annum) on passing required number of modules of a level in the first attempt.

The scholarship amount is released from NIELIT Head Quarters directly to all eligible candidates on receiving their application in the prescribed proforma and subject to fulfillment of eligibility criteria irrespective of the State/Accredited Institute from which they are trained.

(c): DOEACC scheme qualifications are not compulsory for Central Government Services.

(d): As on 10th April 2012, a total of 802 Institutes have been accredited/authorised by NIELIT. State-wise break up is given in the Annexure.