

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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INCREASE IN SEATS IN GOVERNMENT RUN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note that a large number of students fail to get admission in the institutions due to high cut-off marks;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to increase seats in the Government run educational institutions so as to cater more students;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve enrolment in such institutions?

Answer

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

- (a): Some students may not be getting admission in an institution of their choice due to high cut off marks.
- (b): The admission process is determined by the respective Universities/Colleges, which are autonomous with regard to matters relating to admission. The Government does not play a direct role in the matter.
- (c) to (e): Several programmes and schemes initiated by the Government have led to creation of fresh intake capacity in higher education. These include Scheme of Model Degree Colleges in 374 identified Educationally Backward Districts, 16 new Central Universities, 08 Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), 07 Indian Institute of Management (IIMs), 10 National Institute of Technology (NITs) etc. Consequent to passing of the Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006, the Central Government has increased the intake capacity in all Central Educational Institutions (CEI) to an extent of 54%. This has led to enormous expansion of seats available in CEIs. Increase of intake capacity in State controlled public institutions falls under the purview of State Governments.