GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1614 ANSWERED ON:22.08.2012 TRIBAL STUDENTS IN ITS AND IIMS Ju Dev Shri Dilip Singh

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

- (a) the total percentage of tribal and most backward tribal students of Jashpur-Korba and Bilaspur of Chhattisgarh currently enrolled in IITs. IIMs and Central Universities;
- (b) the percentage of tribal students among new entrants in these institutions in the years 2009-10, 2010-11 and 2011-12; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to fill up all tribal seats in these elite institutions?

Answer

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

- (a): No separate record of the number of Tribal Students from Jashpur-korba and Bilaspur of Chhattisgarh is maintained in Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) and Central Universities.
- (b): The percentage of tribal students in IITs, IIMs and Central Universities is as under:

Year IITs IIMs Central Universities
2009-10 8.76% 4.9% 7.21%
2010-11 6.03% 6.8% 8.63%

2011-12 7.19% 5.8% 9.18%

(c): IITs are conducting special preparatory classes for tribal students, who underperform in the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) of IITs, and need to be patronized to come up a desired level of competence. Those who successfully complete the preparatory course, get direct admission to the 1st year B.Tech. programme, without going through the further IIT-JEE. The University Grants Commission (UGC) provides for relaxation in minimum qualifying marks for admission, implements the career orientation programme for the graduates for gainful employment. UGC also provides for establishment of SC/ST Cells, Residential Coaching Academy and Remedial Coaching schemes for tribal students.