

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4073
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UPGRADATION OF FTII
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to upgrade the Film and Television Institute of India (FTII) into an independent university;
- (b) If so, the details along with its functions thereof;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to create a welfare fund for the benefit of students and set up a Research Centre in the new FTII campus;
- (d) If so, the details thereof; and
- (e) If not, the steps taken by the Government to address these new issues?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING (SHRI MANISH TEWARI)

- (a)&(b) The Government has taken steps to declare Film & Television Institute of India, Pune (FTII) as Institute of National Importance through an Act of Parliament.
- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) The course fee at FTII is significantly subsidized. Apart from this, the Institute also offers scholarship to student. Promoting research in film, television and allied subjects has been envisaged as one of the objectives of the Institute in the proposed Act of Parliament.