

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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ADMISSION TO IITS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to conduct a common entrance examination for admission to Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether all the IITs agree with the said proposal;and
- (d) if so, the year from which the common entrance examination is likely to be introduced?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR)

(a) to (d): The Council of Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), after discussions with various stakeholders, including the IITs, has decided to hold the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) in two parts viz JEE-Main and JEE-Advanced, for admission to the undergraduate programmes in engineering, from the academic year of 2013-14.

It was decided that only the top 150,000 candidates (including all categories) based on performance in JEE-Main will qualify to appear in the JEE-Advanced. Admissions to IITs will be based only on category-wise All India Rank (AIR) in JEE-Advanced, subject to the condition that such candidates are in the top 20 percentile of successful candidates in class XII examination conducted by their Boards in applicable categories.

The Information Brochures for both, ie, JEE-Main and JEE-Advanced 2013 are in the public domain.