

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

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CLOSURE OF TECHNICAL INSTITUTES  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has received a large number of applications from technical institutes across the country for closure during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, year-wise;
- (c) the main reasons adduced for closure of these institutes;
- (d) whether the AICTE has permitted these institutions to close down;
- (e) if so, the number of technical institutes which have been closed during the last two years, year-wise; and
- (f) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government to address the issue?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. Shashi Tharoor)

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The details of State-wise, Year-wise applications received from technical institutes across the country for closure during the last two years and the current year is at Annexure-I.
- (c) The main reasons for closure of these institutes is non – viability and a low number of students seeking admission. The closure is also due to withdrawal of approval as a punitive measure for not complying with the norms and standards of the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).
- (d) & (e) Yes, Madam. The details of State-wise number of Under - Graduate Engineering and Management Institutions closed during the last two years are at Annexure-II.
- (f) The AICTE through its various schemes, promotes quality in technical education and also funds such programmes. The AICTE also promotes industry interaction collaboration with industry bodies like CII, FICCI, ASSOCHAM, NASSCOM etc. to bring quality in output and improve placement. The AICTE has also signed an MoU with Institute of Applied Manpower and Research (IAMR) for a National Technical Manpower Information System to be developed, so that based on the data provided, better planning could be done both in terms of regional as well as subject - wise demands.