GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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

(a) whether a number of technical colleges/institutes who have been recognized by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) have failed to improve their faculty/teaching standard resulting in students passing out from such colleges/institutes are not getting employment;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the AICTE has issued any notices in this regard to these colleges/institutes and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(d) whether the AICTE has conducted any study regarding the number of students who were enrolled in such colleges/institutes and the number of students who got employment after they passed from these colleges/institutes and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it is a fact that many such colleges/institutes have not set up their placement cells and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure proper employability of students in these colleges/institutes?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has notified the minimum qualification and experience required for the appointment of faculties in Engineering Colleges in the Gazette of India on 05.3.2010.

(c) : Institutions not maintaining the prescribed faculty to Student ratio or not adhering to pay scales or qualifications prescribed for teaching staff for more than 18 months, shall be liable to the following punitive action by the AICTE from any one or more of the following : (i) Suspension of approval for supernumerary seats, if any, for one academic year (ii) No admission status in the respective courses for one academic year(iii) Withdrawal of approval in respect of the course (iv) Withdrawal of approval of the institution.

(d) &(e) : No, Madam.

(f) : The AICTE has introduced an Employability Enhancement Training Programme (EETP) with the objective of enhancing the employability of engineering graduates and to make more manpower available with increased soft skills. Keeping in view the requirements of industry and to enhance the employability of graduates, the AICTE has also developed a model curriculum of management, pharmacy, architecture and town planning courses at the degree level and engineering courses at the diploma level. The AICTE has signed an MoU with BSNL to facilitate technical institutions to respond to the need for providing State-of- the-art Telecoms equipment-based operational Skills to engineering graduates to enhance their qualifications, competence and employability by enhanced skill up-gradation. The AICTE has also notified a regulation under the National Employability Enhancement Mission (NEEM) to offer on-the-job practical training to enhance the employability of a person either pursuing graduation or diploma in any technical or non- technical stream or have discontinued studies of degree or diploma course to increase their employability.