GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6788 ANSWERED ON:08.05.2013 NEED OF MANPOWER GENERATION Basheer Shri E. T. Muhammed

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the need of manpower generation in accordance with the manpower requirement at the global level; and
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government with regard to the higher education scenario?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) The Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, has notified the National Vocational Education Qualification Framework (NVEQF) on 03.09.2012. The key elements of the NVEQF are to provide: national principles for providing vocational education (VE); multiple entry and exit between vocational education and general education and job markets; progression within vocational education; transfer between vocational education and general education; and partnership with industry/employers. The NVEQF provides for involvement of industry through Sector Skill Council (SSCs) in laying down of national occupation standards and in the assessment of skill competencies acquired as part of Vocational Education.

The University Grants Commission (UGC) is implementing a scheme of "Career Oriented Courses in Universities and Colleges under which it provides financial assistance to Universities/Colleges for the introduction of career-oriented courses at the certificate/diploma/advance diploma levels, which run concurrently with conventional degree courses like Bachelors of Arts/Science/Commerce etc. Additionally the UGC has also notified the Bachelor of Vocational Education (B.Voc) degree.

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has notified the AICTE (Grant of Approval for conducting Vocational Education Program, Community College courses and skill knowledge provider under National Vocational Education Qualification Framework) Regulations, 2012. The framework provides for multiple pathways and exit options after every certificate level so that a student can opt to drop out at any certificate level and be employed at a certain job role within a sector and come back into education if he / she so desires. The AICTE has also accorded approvals to 29 Skill Knowledge Providers and 349 institutions to conduct vocational education in polytechnic and other institutions. The AICTE has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Institute of Applied Manpower Research (IAMR) for the estimation and forecasts of short term and long term requirement of technical manpower in different categories of engineering disciplines, pharmacy, management, architecture and town planning, hotel management and catering technology and other emerging areas related to these disciplines.