

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

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SETTING UP OF TECHNICAL INSTITUTES

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

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to set up technical institutes including engineering colleges/ universities in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, location-wise;
- (c) the funds earmarked and allocated for this purpose during the last two years, year-wise, State-wise;
- (d) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to increase the number of technical institutes in the country?

Answer

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

(a) to (b) : Yes, Madam. The XIth Plan aims at building on the momentum generated during the XIth Plan and on the consolidation and the expansion of existing institutions. Towards this end, the Government has approved a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS), the Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) for the XIth Plan. The RUSA enables the state governments to set up new professional colleges for technical education to address the critical gaps in this area.

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) which has undertaken the task of perspective planning & coordinated development of the technical education system in the country and to promote qualitative improvement, has asked the State Governments to provide the perspective plan for the development of technical education in their respective states. Such State perspective plans are a consolidation of the perspective plans of individual universities in the State's Jurisdiction. The AICTE grants approval for the setting up of new technical Institutions, based on the applications received from the State Governments, which are processed as per the provisions of the Approval Process Handbook and Regulations.

Further, under the Sub-Mission on Polytechnics under the mission of Coordinated Action for Skill Development Scheme, the Government of India provides financial assistance to the State / UT Governments, limited to ₹.12.30 crores per polytechnic to meet the costs of establishing a Polytechnic in 300 unserved Districts / underserved districts, subject to the respective State / UT Governments providing land free of cost, meeting 100% recurring expenditure and also non-recurring expenditure beyond ₹.12.30 crores, if any. A total of 287 districts have been provided partial financial assistance of Rs. 2034.69 crores till 31.07.2013.

The detail is at Annexure-I.

(c) : The year-wise and State-wise details of the funds earmarked and allocated during the last two years are at Annexure -II.

(d) to (e) During the XIth Five Year Plan, 8 new Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), 7 new Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs), 10 new National Institutes of Technology (NITs), 5 Indian Institutes of Science Education & Research (IISERs) and 2 new Schools of Planning and Architecture (SPAs) were set up in the Country and are functional. In addition to this, the government has approved the setting up of twenty Indian Institutes of Information Technology (IIITs), on a Not-for-profit Public Private Partnership (N-PPP) basis.