

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

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PENDING PROPOSAL OF IIT

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

(a) whether any proposal of Karnataka is pending before the Union Government to set up an Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) in the State since 2006;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Chief Minister of Karnataka has also written to his Ministry in this regard; and

(d) if so, the present status of the proposal and the time by which the said proposal is likely to be approved?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): The requests for the establishment of an Indian Institute of Technology in Karnataka have been received from various quarters from time to time, including from the Chief Minister of Karnataka. Taking into account the regional balance and on the recommendations of the Scientific Advisory Council to the Prime Minister, the Central Government has, during the XIth Plan period, established eight new IITs in Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh. At present there is no proposal to establish any new IIT anywhere in the country. The thrust in the XII plan is on the consolidation of the Higher Education system and expansion is proposed to be done by way of scaling the up capacity of the existing institutions rather than by setting up new institutions.