

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

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NEW ENGINEERING COLLEGES
Sule Supriya

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

- (a) whether the private and public sector companies are permitted to open new engineering colleges in the country ;
- (b) if so, the details of number of new engineering colleges opened and the number of engineering colleges closed down in the country during the last three years, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of efforts/initiatives taken by the Government to maintain the standard of quality of teaching in engineering colleges?

Answer

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

(a) to (b): Yes Madam. The details of the number of new Engineering Colleges opened and the number of Engineering Colleges closed down in the country during the last years are at Annexure.

(c): The Government has various quality improvement schemes that are run through the All India Council for Technical Education to maintain the standard of quality of teaching in Engineering Colleges. These include the Research Promotion Scheme (RPS) for promoting research in the field of engineering. In addition, there are other Schemes such as Research and Institutional Development (RID) Schemes for the improvement of quality of engineering education, Faculty Development Programmes, programmes to develop National Faculty in Engineering & Technology with Industrial Collaboration, Development of Model Curriculum for different courses etc.. The Government has also set up the National Board of Accreditation to regulate and monitor the quality of engineering education in the country,