

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

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

- (a) the salient features and functions of National Council for Teachers Education (NCTE);
- (b) whether students belonging to general and other backward classes are still unemployed and facing difficulties in spite of passing examinations conducted by NCTE;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Chhattisgarh; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for resolving the said issue?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a): The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) is a statutory body responsible for maintaining standards in Teacher Education in the country. As per the National Council for Teacher Education Act Rules and Regulations, 1993, some of the main functions of NCTE include:
- i) co-ordinate and monitor teacher education and its development in the country;
 - ii) lay down guidelines in respect of minimum qualifications for a person to be employed as a teacher in schools or in recognized institutions;
 - iii) lay down norms for any specified category of courses or trainings in teacher education, including the minimum eligibility criteria for admission thereof, and the method of selection of candidates, duration of the course, course contents and mode of curriculum.
- (b) to (d): NCTE is responsible for maintaining standards in teacher education and does not conduct any examinations.