GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2973 ANSWERED ON:10.12.2014 SETTING UP OF POLYTECHNICS Ahlawat Smt. Santosh;Sreeramulu Shri B.

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

- (a) the total number of polytechnics in the country and the number out of which are exclusively for women including the annual intake of students therein, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the details of courses/disciplines offered by the polytechnics:
- (c) whether the Government proposes to upgrade /modernize the equipment, facilities and courses of polytechnics and if so, the details thereof including the funds allocated for the purpose during the Twelfth Plan period;
- (d) whether the Government also proposes to set up more polytechnics in various parts of the country including in Karnataka; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the location identified for the purpose, State/UT-wise including the action plan of the Government for polytechnics?

Answer

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

- (a) As informed by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) there are 3800 polytechnics in the country as approved by them out of which 157 are exclusively for women. The state-wise break-up of the polytechnics including the approved intake and those of Women's polytechnics is at Annexure.
- (b) There are 452 AICTE approved disciplines for Diploma / Post-Diploma Courses details of which are available at http://www.aicte-india.org/downloads/Approval_ Process_Handbook_091012.pdf#toolbar=0.
- (c) Under the scheme of 'Sub-Mission on Polytechnics' this Ministry provides financial assistance to 500 selected Government and Government-aided polytechnics upto Rs. 2.00 crores per polytechnic for upgradation of infrastructural facilities like labs, equipments, etc. The Government has released Rs. 245.37 crores during 12th Plan Period so far on this count. Besides, the Central Government is also giving assistance to State Governments for construction of women's hostels in selected 500 polytechnics in the country. Each of these selected polytechnic is granted assistance upto Rs. 1.00 crore for construction of women's hostels. Rs. 141.55 crores has been released for this purpose in the 12th plan period so far. In addition AICTE grants are also allowed to the institutions approved by it including polytechnics, for upgradation of facilities.
- (d) & (e) No Madam. However, the Central Government is providing assistance to State Governments to the tune of Rs. 12.30 crores per polytechnic for setting up of the same in 291 unserved / underserved districts across the country. None of the districts in Karnataka falls under this category.