

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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IMBALANCE IN TECHNICAL EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the growth of technical education in the country is not balanced;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the number of technical colleges functioning in the country, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has made efforts to open technical colleges in the areas where the number of technical institutes are lesser than those in other States;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. It is seen that the trend in the establishment of Private Engineering Colleges is not uniform across the country. The growth of technical colleges in some parts of the country is less compared to the states of Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra etc. However, the Government has decided to set up five new Indian Institute of Technology (IITs) one each at Jammu, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Goa and Kerala.

(c): The state wise detail of technical colleges functioning in the country is at Annexure.

(d) to (f): The approvals for setting up of new technical institutions by the Society/Trust/ Companies registered under section 25 of Companies Act, 1956 / Central Government/State Government etc. in different parts of the country are granted by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) to those applicant institutions that fulfil the norms and standards as prescribed in the Approval Process Handbook. However, the Government has launched 'Sub-Mission on Polytechnics' by providing assistance to the State Governments to setup about 1000 new Polytechnics in various parts of the Country with emphasis to cater to the needs of un-served, underserved area and disadvantaged sections of the society.