

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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POLYTECHNICS

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to expand and strengthen polytechnic education in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the criteria for setting up new polytechnic institutes in the country;
- (c) whether the Government has granted approval for setting up new polytechnics in the backward districts of the country and if so, the details thereof, State and location-wise;
- (d) whether any financial assistance has been released to the State Governments in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the progress made so far in regard to setting up new polytechnics in the identified districts?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) – Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has been implementing the Schemes on Sub-Mission on Polytechnics under Co-ordinated action for Skill Development since 11th Plan. Under the component of "Setting up of New Polytechnics", one time financial assistance upto Rs. 12.30 crore per Polytechnic is provided to the State/UT Governments. A total of 300 Polytechnics in un-served and under-served districts of the Country were identified for financial assistance from Central Government under the scheme. Similarly for strengthening of existing polytechnics MHRD provides financial assistance to the identified 500 Government & Government aided Polytechnics upto Rs. 2.00 crore per Polytechnic to upgrade the infrastructure facilities like labs, equipments etc., In addition, 500 Polytechnics in the country have been separately identified for providing Central Assistance upto Rs. 1.00 crore per polytechnic for construction of women's hostels. The financial assistance under these schemes are provided through the State Governments. The State wise details and financial assistance provided under both components of the Sub-Mission is available in the Ministry's web-site - <http://mhrd.gov.in/technical-education-16>.

(e) - Out of the 300 identified districts under the component of Setting up of New Polytechnics, civil work in 290 Polytechnics is in various stages of completion.