GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5887 ANSWERED ON:29.04.2015 QUALIFIED FACULTY IN PROFESSIONAL COLLEGES Poddar Smt. Aparupa

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

- (a) whether the Government has received complaints from the academicians and prominent educationists about the dearth of qualified faculty in the professional colleges, especially those related with engineering, physics and other disciplines of science;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to train enough number of qualified teachers to teach in higher educational institutions?

Answer

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

- (a): No, Madam. No specific complaint in this regard has been received.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): The government, through All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has introduced the following programmes to train qualified teachers to teach in higher educational institutions:
- (i) Faculty Development Programme (FDP):

The Faculty Development Programme (FDP) intends to provide financial assistance to facilitate up-gradation of knowledge, skill and intends to provide opportunities for induction training to teachers employed in Engineering & Technology, Pharmacy, Hotel Management & Catering Technology, Architecture, Town Planning and Applied Arts & Crafts.

(ii) Quality Improvement Programme (QIP):

The main objective of the programme is to upgrade the expertise and capabilities of the faculty members of the degree & diploma level institutions in the country and the teachers to acquire Master's/ Doctoral degrees and imbibe in them a culture of research and better teaching educational capabilities by exposing them to the environment of the institutes of study.