

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government has issued any guidelines for creating entrepreneurship development cells in various technical institutions/ engineering colleges;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of technical institutions/ engineering colleges which have set up such cells in their institutes/colleges, Statewise; and
- (d) the action taken against the institutes/colleges which have not set up such cells?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) is funding a scheme Entrepreneurship Development Cell (EDC). The scheme motivates to develop a support system for technocrats and entrepreneurs and expected to act as a tool to promote entrepreneur- ship and self employment amongst technical students as an attractive and viable career option. The guidelines of EDC grant are available on AICTE website www.aicte-india.org under AICTE Quality Improvement Schemes (AQIS) Guidelines And Process Handbook.

(c): The Sate-wise list of EDC funded by AICTE is at Annexure.

(d): It is a voluntary scheme, therefore, no action can be taken against the institutes/colleges which have not set up such cells.