GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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VACANT POSTS OF HEADS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of posts of Heads of Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) including; Vice-Chancellors of central universities are lying vacant;
- (b) if so. the details thereof and the reasons therefor. IITs and central universities-wise;
- (c) whether the Government had appointed new panels by scrapping the old panels for the selection of Vice-Chancellors and if so. the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether it is a fact that the selection process to appoint Directors to various Ills were being conducted in casual manner and if so. the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the other steps taken by the Government to expedite the selection process?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRIT1 ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) & (b): Out of 16 ITs. tenures of Directors in two ITs. namely IT-Mandi and IT-Indore are over. The process for their selection has already been initiated. Posts of Vice-Chancellors (VCs) in Central Universities of Bihar, Tamil Nadu, Kashmir, Allahabad, Jharkhand. Hyderabad, Orissa (Koraput). Guru Ghasidas/Bilaspur, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Rajasthan (Ajmer) and North East Hill University (NEHU) are presently vacant. But, Search-eum-Selection Committee has been constituted for all.
- (c): As far as University of Allahabad is concerned, the Search-cum-Selection Committee has been constituted for the first time.

In the case of Central University of Tamil Nadu, the previously constituted Search-cum-Selection Committee has been scrapped and a fresh Committee has been constituted as certain anomalies; were noticed in the search-cum-selection process. As for Central University of Rajasthan, it has been decided to reconstitute the Search-cum-Selection Committee by including, such persons in the Committee as Visitor's Nominees whose main domain of experience is academia and who have exposure to the education/University system.

- (d): No, Madam.
- (e): The selection process of VCs in Central Universities and Directors in IITs is a long-drawn process. However, Government gives utmost priority to (ill up the vacancies by conducting expeditious selection committee meetings.