GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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Ranking of IITs and IIMs
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of global ranking of Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) in comparison to foreign institutions; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to improve the global ranking of both the institutions?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): While certain institutions or agencies publish list of universities or educational institutions ranked according to their own criteria, there is no single international agency for the global ranking of universities. These different international ranking systems use different values, indices and parameters to rank higher educational institutions. These criteria are neither universally accepted nor recognized and are therefore open to criticism about the subjective processes of their evaluation. Some of these parameters are not wholly relevant for Indian higher educational institutions and therefore, these rankings cannot constitute the principal basis for the benchmarking of Indian institutions. The improvement of the quality of higher education is a continuous process. The Government is continuously striving to improve the quality of higher education in the country by legislative initiatives as well as through various schemes and programmes.