

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF STUDY CENTRES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has invited applications from universities and premier research institutes to set up study centres of World Trade Organisation (WTO) and Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) in the country;
- (b) if so, the number of applications received from the universities/institutes for the said purpose and the status of these applications; and
- (c) the funds sanctioned/released and spent in this regard as on date?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Madam. The Human Resource Development Ministry has not taken any such action.
- (b) Does not arise in view of the reply to (a) above.
- (c) Out of Rs. 6.00 Crore earmarked under the Scheme of Promotion of Copyright & Intellectual Property Rights in the year 2014-15, an amount of Rs. 3.07 Crore was released for expenditure by MHRD IPR Chairs. There have been no releases in 2015-16 till date.