

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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Setting up of IISERs

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

- (a) whether the Government has set up Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research Centres of excellence at various places in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the benefits accrued to the country in terms of promoting education of science and research and the funds provided and utilised by each IISER during the Eleventh and the current Five Year Plan periods;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to establish more IISER centres in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of students likely to be benefited from these new institutes?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam. The Government of India had already established five Indian Institutes of Science, Education and Research (IISERs) at Pune, Kolkata, Mohali, Bhopal and Thiruvananthapuram. Further, as a sequel to the Andhra Pradesh Re-organisation Act, 2014, the Government established an IISER at Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, which has started functioning from temporary / transit campus from the current academic year of 2015-16.

(b): The IISERs aim to integrate under-graduate, post-graduate and research under one umbrella and to inter-act with National Laboratories and other research institutes to develop a synchronous environment for research that would transcend rigid administrative structure and also encourage inter-disciplinary research. Amount of funds released / utilized by the five IISERs during the XI and the current Five Year Plan periods are shown below:

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(Rs. in crores)

Institute XI Plan (2007-12) XII Plan (2012-17)

(as on 30.11.2015)

IISER Pune 385.25 547.48

IISER Kolkata 340.00 436.71

IISER Mohali 326.25 409.82

IISER Bhopal 265.00 451.80

IISER Thiruvananthapuram 163.50 406.90

IISER Tirupati - 18.00

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(c) & (d): As per the announcement made by the Union Finance Minister in his budget speech (2015), the Government have decided to establish two new IISERs in the States of Nagaland and Odisha, the classes of which are expected to start functioning from temporary / transit campuses from the academic year of 2016-17.
