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DEVELOPMENT OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the initiatives taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for the development of entrepreneurship in colleges/centres of higher learning in the country; and

(b) the results achieved during the last three years in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) : Entrepreneurship is already covered under Management courses taught in colleges and centers of higher learning in the country. Moreover, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has started a scheme on skills development based higher education as part of college/university education, leading to Bachelor of Vocation (B.Voc.) Degree with multiple exits such as Diploma/Advanced Diploma under the National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF). The B. Voc. programme is focused on universities and colleges providing undergraduate studies which would also incorporate specific job roles and their National Occupation Standards (NOSs) alongwith broad based general education. This would also enable the graduates completing B.Voc. in becoming entrepreneurs and creating appropriate knowledge. The UGC has also started a scheme of Community Colleges during the XIth Five Year Plan, with special emphasis on expansion of skill-based programmes for imparting career oriented education and skills to students.

(b) : The scheme of Community College was implemented from the last year onwards and the students are yet to pass out. B. Voc Degree programme has been started this year only and students will pass out after three years.