

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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EDUCATION IN ATOMIC ENERGY FIELD
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of education in the field of atomic energy in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has any plan to start education in atomic energy across India; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (Dr. JITENDRA SINGH) :

(a) to (c) The Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) has been conducting academic programmes on subjects related to atomic energy and mathematics in its research & development (R&D) centres and grant-in-aid institutions for a long time. To consolidate all such programmes, the DAE has set up Homi Bhabha National Institute (HBNI), a grant in aid institutions of the DAE which and has been recognised as a deemed to be university by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) under the UGC Act. Academic programmes of the following ten constituent institutions of Department of Atomic Energy come under the ambit of HBNI:

- 1) Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC)
- 2) Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research (IGCAR)
- 3) Raja Ramanna Centre for Advanced Technology (RRCAT)
- 4) Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre (VECC)
- 5) Tata Memorial Centre (TMC)
- 6) Institute for Plasma Research (IPR)
- 7) Institute of Physics (IOP)
- (i) National Institute of Science Education and Research (NISER)
- 8) Harish-Chandra Research Institute (HRI)
- 9) Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics (SINP)
- 10) The Institute of Mathematical Sciences (IMSc)

All the above Constituent Institutions (CIs) except NISER conduct educational programmes at the post-graduate level in areas relevant to atomic energy. NISER conducts five-year integrated programme leading to a Masters in Sciences.