

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS UNDER RUSA
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the educational institutions set up under the Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) in the country, State-wise along with the norms and criteria for identification of the locations for setting up such institutes;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up new institutions for higher education in unserved area; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the locations identified therefor, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a): As on 1st December 2014, 50 Model Degree Colleges (07 in Andhra Pradesh, 08 in Odisha, 26 in Uttar Pradesh, 02 in Himachal Pradesh, 02 in Punjab, 01 in Andaman and Nicobar Islands, 03 in Tripura and 01 in Nagaland), 08 new Professional Colleges (01 in Himachal Pradesh, 02 in Punjab, 02 in Jammu & Kashmir, 02 in Gujarat and 01 in Manipur) and 04 new universities through clustering of eligible colleges (2 in Jammu & Kashmir, 01 in Himachal Pradesh and 01 in Manipur) have been approved under the Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA). Further details are available on the Ministry's website at <http://mhrd.gov.in/project-approval-board>.

Under RUSA, following the 'bottom-up' approach, it has been left to the States to decide on the specific locations of these institutions.

(b) & (c): Yes Madam. One of the areas of focus of RUSA is enhancing access to higher education in unserved or underserved areas by setting up new institutions, and improving infrastructure and facilities in existing institutions. However, specific locations of these institutions are identified by the State Government based on their need assessment and requirements.