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Title: Need to up-grade educational standard in Engineering colleges and other Higher educational institutions in Andhra Pradesh and other parts of the country, to minimize drop out rate.

SHRIMATI BOTCHA JHANSI LAKSHMI (VIZIANAGARAM): Several Engineering colleges are facing severe hardships and are on the verge of closure across Andhra Pradesh, as students are not willing to join these colleges. Though Central Government is trying to increase the gross enrollment by introducing a new scheme called Rashtriya Ucha Shiksha Abhiyan, thousands of seats are remaining vacant.

Youngsters, especially students, have a vital role to play in nation building. Their vocational expertise must be enhanced by making programmes in collaboration with Private Vocational Engineering colleges. The AICTE is implementing the policies countrywide and giving permission to more and more vocational training colleges, but students are not able to acquire skills due to poor performance of colleges.

The Ministry of Human Resource Development must take the responsibility to make the Rastriya Uchatar Siksha Abhiyan as a key player and to ensure to make very competent and highly qualified youth with a focused manner.

The AICTE must take responsibility and take necessary changes for mushrooming of Engineering colleges and degradation of standards therein in order to attract the students for taking admissions in Engineering Colleges.

With a view to strengthen the Primary Education and Education for all, the Central Government is effectively implementing the Rajiv Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan to control the dropouts in High School education. In the same way, the Government should bring educational reforms on the theme of "Dropouts in Higher Education and Percentage of Attendance."