

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF ENGINEERING COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of applications recommended by Kerala Government for new engineering colleges in the State during the last three years;
- (b) the number out of them sanctioned by the concerned authority during the said period and till date;
- (c) whether Competent Authority has recognised a few engineering colleges in Kerala under private self financing professional colleges recently; and
- (d) if so, the details of total seats and seats available on the basis of merit for engineering in these colleges, category- wise as on date?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) & (b) : As per information furnished by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), details of applications recommended by Kerala Government for setting up of new engineering colleges and the approval given by AICTE during the last three years are as under:

Year	Number of proposals recommended by the State Government	Number of Institutes approved by AICTE
2002-03	47	29
2003-04	18	10
2004-05	08	07
Total	73	46

(c) : 40 colleges out of the total 46 engineering colleges approved by AICTE during the last 3 years in the State of Kerala are private self-financing professional colleges.

(d) : As per the judgement of Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of TMA Pai Foundation & Others Vs. State of Karnataka & Others, the provisions of free seats and payment seats have been abolished. However, the State Governments have been empowered to decide the percentage of management seats in private unaided professional colleges. The total number of seats available in AICTE approved self-financing engineering colleges in the State of Kerala as on date is 14820.