

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

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NEW COURSES BY AICTE  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) Whether the All India Council of Technical Education has issued revised guidelines for approving new courses and institutions;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) The details of the deficiencies that were detected in the existing system which have now been removed?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Yes Sir. The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has issued the revised guidelines for approving new courses and institutions, which are available in the Approval Process Handbook and on the website [www.aicte.ernet.in](http://www.aicte.ernet.in). AICTE has launched new initiatives with focus on transparency, accountability, quality and equity. Some of the changes brought out in the new approval process are as under: -

1. Transparency by introduction of mandatory disclosure for institutions;
2. Promoting equity with a provision for institutions to present their cases and being heard.
3. Extension of approval based on compliance report and mandatory disclosure to build mutual trust and confidence.
4. Harnessing the concept of 'Anytime Round the Year' approval process as against the calendar based system;
5. 'Time-bound Approval Process' with clear time frame;
6. 'Random & Surprise Visits' to ensure maintenance of Norms & Standards and quality of technical education;
7. 'No Objection Certificate' from the State Governments is not required.