

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

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ALL INDIA COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether prior permission of All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) is mandatory to start any programme in technical or management education including degrees in disciplines;
- (b) if so, whether as per the notification issued by the Union Government, the deemed universities are free to start any programme in technical or management education without the approval of the AICTE;
- (c) if so, the details and facts thereof; and
- (d) the measures proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure maintenance of the minimum standards prescribed by the AICTE by deemed universities?

**Answer**

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

- (a): As per AICTE Act, the AICTE is empowered to take such steps as are necessary for ensuring coordinated and integrated development of technical education and maintenance of standards. Those who are intending to set up a technical institution for running degree level technical courses are required to take approval of AICTE.
- (b) to (d): In the case of Deemed Universities, as per notification No. 2-1/2006-U3 (A) dated 5.4.2006, it is not a prerequisite for an institution notified as a 'Deemed to be University' to obtain the prior approval of the AICTE to start any programme in technical or management education leading to an award, including degrees in disciplines covered under the AICTE Act, 1987. However, institutions notified as 'Deemed to be University' are required to ensure the maintenance of the minimum standards prescribed by the AICTE for various courses that come under the jurisdiction of the said Council. It is expected that the institution notified as a 'Deemed to be University' maintains the standards of the education higher than the minimum prescribed by the AICTE.