

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

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OPENING OF HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION SECTOR

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to opening up of the higher and technical education sector for foreign participation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is provision for reservation to OBCs and SCs/STs in the said institutes having foreign stake of 100 per cent;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and the manner in which the Government is likely to provide the reservations for OBCs and SCs/STs in such institutions?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (e): By virtue of Press Note 2 (2000 Series) dated the 11th February, 2000 of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government have allowed Foreign Direct Investment upto 100% on the automatic route in the Education Sector, subject to sectoral rules/regulations as may be applicable. A legislative proposal to regulate entry and operation of foreign education institutes is under consideration of the Government.