

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

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New Engineering Colleges and Employment Opportunities
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Ministry has accorded permission to start the new engineering colleges during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the Ministry is aware that many of the existing engineering colleges are not having enough student strength and also the employability for the engineering graduates are questionable;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government to improve the employment opportunities for the pass out students across the country; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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- (a) to (b): The Government has decided to set up five new IITs at Tirupati (Andhra Pradesh), Palakkad (Kerala), Jammu (Jammu & Kashmir), Bhilai (Chhattisgarh) and Goa in pursuance to Budget Announcement 2014-15; and an IIT at Dharwar (Karnataka) and conversion of ISM Dhanbad into an IIT, in pursuance to Budget Announcement 2015-16. Academic Sessions have commenced in the year 2015-16 at IIT Tirupati (Andhra Pradesh) and IIT Palakkad (Kerala) in their respective temporary campuses. The other 4 IITs- Dharwad, Bhilai, Goa and Jammu are commencing their academic sessions in 2016-17. Moreover, the Government of India has established National Institute of Technology in the State of Andhra Pradesh. NIT, Andhra Pradesh started its first academic session from the year 2015 onwards with an annual intake of 480 students. Apart from this, the Government has established one new Indian Institute of Science Education & Research (IISER) at Tirupati. The IISERs are Institutes of National Importance with international repute and the students passing out of these enjoy high employment potentiality.
- (c): AICTE has approved an annual intake of 18,07,091 undergraduate students for 2014-15 in the professional Technical Institutions wherein 8,63,079 seats could not be filled for want of students. The details are at Annexure.
- (d) & (e): The Ministry of Human Resource Development is implementing the following schemes to impart skill education to the students to enhance their skills for productive and gainful employment:
- (i) Employability Enhancement Training Programme (EETP).
 - (ii) National Employability Enhancement Mission (NEEM).
 - (iii) National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) Programmes in AICTE approved Colleges/ Polytechnics.
 - (iv) Community College Scheme.
- The details of these schemes are available at AICTE website <http://www.aicte-india.org/>.
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