

Title	1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year	4th Year	5th Year
Students Intake	200	300	400	600	730
Faculty strength	30	60	90	150	210

(c) Details of the existing and sanctioned faculty strength in each IIT are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of IITs	Sanctioned Strength of faculty	Existing strength of faculty
1.	IIT Kharagpur	736	508
2.	IIT Madras	560	410
3.	IIT Bombay	569	433
4.	IIT Delhi	556	396
5.	IIT Kanpur	406	332
6.	IIT Roorkee	575	365
7.	IIT Guwahati	237	224

Discipline-wise sanctioned strength is not maintained in IITs.

(d) IITs are autonomous Institutions and recruitment of faculty is done by them as per their respective Statutes. Recruitment of faculty is a continuous process and all out efforts are made by the Institutes to fill up the vacant posts. The Institutes have been employing suitable strategies to attract and retain quality faculty which include providing of good residential accommodation, good medical facilities, initial research grants, financial support for participation in national/international conferences, suitable scheme for sharing of consultancy charges, etc.

Central University in Orissa

4016. SHRI PYARI MOHAN MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of extreme backwardness of K.BK region of Orissa in every sphere, including education, Government would consider establishment of a Central University during the Eleventh Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, by when and if not, the reasons for such a decision?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) The Eleventh Five Year Plan, approved by the National Development Council, includes, *inter-alia*, the setting up of two Central Universities in Orissa. While one Central University, aiming at achieving world class standards, would be located in Bhubaneswar, the location of the other Central University would depend on the various sites as may be offered, free of cost, by the State Government.

Norms for establishment of IIMs

4017. SHRI PYARIMOHAN MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the norms for establishment of IIMs in different parts of the country; and

(b) the specific reasons for excluding Orissa from establishment of an IIM in the past, as well as during the Eleventh Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) Historically, Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) have been established in different parts of the Country on the demand of academia, industry and public in general.

(b) One Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has been allotted to the State of Orissa during Eleventh Five Year Plan, hence it was not considered for establishment of an IIM! during this Plan.

Decrease in drop-out rate

4018. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the scheme of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan has brought down the school drop-out rate in the States;

(b) if so, the details thereof, alongwith the percentage of reduction reported in the backward regions of Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Orissa, district-wise;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the breakup of funds earmarked and utilized to enhance the component of school drop-out rate during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALIASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (d) The dropout rate has fallen by 15.23 percentage points at primary level between 2001 upto 2005, compared to a decline of only 2.3 percentage points between the years 1990 and 2000. In the case of Andhra Pradesh, the reduction was 18.55 percentage points, for Tamil Nadu 27.24 percentage points and Orissa 0.88 percentage points between 2000 & 2005.

The main schemes being implemented to reduce drop out rates are the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and the Mid-day Meal Scheme, which have been provided with Central budgetary support of Rs. 13100 crore and Rs. 8000 crore respectively in 2008-09.

Suicides due to examination stress

4019. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the alarmingly increasing number of suicides among students at the school level due to examination stress and because of fear of failure;

(b) if so, whether Government proposes to take any steps to deal with this serious situation;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Reports on cases of students committing suicide have appeared in newspapers from time to time.