

NIFT Centres

***284. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGGARWAL:** Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of centres of National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) as on date, location-wise and State-wise;

(b) the details of places where NIFT centres were opened during the last three years; and

(c) the expenditure incurred each year for proper functioning and maintenance of these centres during the said period, centre-wise?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA): (a) Presently eight Centres of National Institute of Fashion Technology are functioning in the country as indicated below:—

State	Location
Delhi	Delhi
Maharashtra	Mumbai
Tamilnadu	Chennai
West Bengal	Kolkata
Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad
Gujarat	Gandhinagar
Karnataka	Bangalore
Uttar Pradesh	Rae Bareli

(b) and (c) During the last three years, only one Centre of NIFT was set up at Rae Bareli, Uttar Pradesh in the year 2006-07. In 2006-07, Capital expenditure incurred on the Rae Bareli Centre was to the tune of Rs. 213.74 lakhs. Though the Centre was inaugurated in February, 2007, it started functioning from July, 2007. Hence, no maintenance expenditure was incurred during 2006-07. In 2007-08, an amount of Rs. 9 crores has been allocated for this Centre for meeting the expenditure on running of the centre at its present temporary premises and also for construction of its own building and infrastructure.

Establishing Communication and Capacity Development Units

***285. SHRI KANJIBHAI PATIL:** Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is establishing Communication and Capacity Development Units in various States for drinking water and sanitation;

(b) if so, whether separate units are being sanctioned for States where drinking water and sanitation are dealt with by different Ministries/Departments; and

(c) the number of proposals for sanctioning separate Communication and Capacity Development Units pending for approval with Government?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH): (a) Government of India supports establishment of Communication and Capacity Development Units (CCDU) in each State, for promoting the reform initiatives introduced in the Water Supply and Sanitation Sectors.