

Opening of IIT, Kharagpur campus in Orissa

*368. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:
MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

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

- (a) whether the IIT, Kharagpur proposes to open a campus in Orissa;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time-frame within which the campus would be opened?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c) IIT Kharagpur has been running a campus in an area of 2.1 acres at Bhubaneswar since 1998. This campus is offering Post Graduate Diploma Courses in Information Technology and Business Administration.

IIT Kharagpur had sent a proposal for a major expansion of the campus at Bhubaneswar, Orissa. As per this proposal, the campus at Bhubaneswar will have a capacity of 5000 regular students and 3000 part time students in short term training programmes. The cost of building this campus, excluding the cost of land, has been estimated at Rs. 800 crores, spread over a period of 4 to 5 years. In addition to the above, the cost of infrastructural development of land is estimated to be Rs. 120 crores. It is indicated in the proposal that the Government of Orissa has agreed 'in-principle' to provide 300 acres of land for this campus at Bhubaneswar, free of any cost. The Government has not approved this proposal.

Illegal mining in Delhi

†*369. SHRI BALAVANT ALIAS BALAPTE:
SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware of large-scale illegal mining at many places in Delhi;

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