

(d) and (e) AICTE has introduced a system of e-governance in its approval process for diploma and PG Diploma level institution from the year 2011-12 to ensure greater transparency in decision making notified *vide* Gazette Notification No. F.No. 37-3/legal/2011 dated 10.12.2010 which is available on AICTE's website www.aicte-india.org

Setting up of new institutions by AICTE

550. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has announced a set of norms for All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) for setting up new institutions in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether under the new system corporate sector can set up technical institutions provided they get registered as a non-profit entity;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether this move will help increase lakhs of seats in engineering and management streams; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As per the information received from All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), the Council has notified a set of norms for setting up of new technical institutions in the country. The Gazette Notification No. 37-3/Legal/2011 dated 10.12.2010 published in this regard which is available on AICTE's website (www.aicte-india.org).

(c) and (d) As per the clause 3 of the said Gazette Notification No. 37-3/Legal/2011 dated 10.12.2010, corporate section can set up technical institutions provided that the company is established under the section 25 of the Company's Act-1956 ensuring the following:

(i) No profit working;

(ii) Income generated through operations of Technical Institution shall be utilized for working and development of the Technical Institution; and

(iii) there shall be no indirect holding.

(e) and (f) AICTE has opened its web portal for online submission of proposals for opening of new institutions for academic year 2011-12 from 30.12.2010 to 28.02.2011. It is expected that corporate sector will come forward with the proposals for opening new institutions and this move will *inter alia* help in increasing the number of seats in engineering and management streams for academic year 2011-12.