

(a) whether the Ministry has received any proposal/demand from the Himachal Pradesh Government for establishment of an Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) in district Una where the State Government was ready to provide 52-83-42 Hectare (132 Acres) of land;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Madam. The State Government of Himachal Pradesh has identified 52-83-42 Hectare (132 Acre) of land in District Una, Himachal Pradesh for establishment of an Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) in Public Private Partner (PPP) mode. The establishment of the IIIT will depend upon the response of the State Government of Himachal Pradesh with regard to finalisation of Industry Partners.

(c) Does not arise.

**Setting up and strengthening of
vocational training colleges**

1959. SHRI MANGALA KISAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal of the State Government of Odisha is pending before the Ministry, for setting up of 100 new vocational training colleges, 30 model colleges and to strengthen 231 existing Government vocational training colleges; and

(b) if so, whether it would be approved during the current financial year, considering the acute shortfall of skilled manpower in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) A proposal for opening of 100 new vocational junior colleges and for strengthening of 231 Government Vocational Junior Colleges under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of "Vocationalisation of Secondary Education" was received from the Government of Odisha. However, the proposal could not be considered as the centrally sponsored scheme was under revision. The guidelines of the revised scheme have now been sent to the States /UTs, including Odisha, for sending new proposals for approval by the Ministry.

Proposals for establishment of 08 model degree colleges under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of one such college in each of the 374 identified educationally backward districts in the country, have been received from Government of Odisha. These are under consideration of the UGC for which additional documents from the State Government have been requisitioned.

Bogus enrolments in primary schools

1960. SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Central Government or any State Government has carried out any inspection for finding bogus enrolments in primary schools in the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the findings thereof;
- (c) the loss incurred by Government because of such bogus students; and
- (d) the action Government proposes to check such bogus enrolments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) Enrolment data is collected annually by the State Governments with 30th September as the reference date. It is compiled nationally as the Statistics of School Education (SSE). In the course of regular school inspections by State Governments the status of enrolment is also verified.

The State Government of Maharashtra has reported that a drive was undertaken from 3rd to 5th October, 2011 to find the actual enrolment in primary schools, and a committee has been constituted under the chairmanship of the State Chief Secretary to scrutinize the findings of the enrolment drive and recommend the action to be taken.

Findings of ASER on primary education

1961. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the recently released Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) based on a survey of five States has found primary educational attainments to be below normal;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and