

unaided private schools shall admit in class I (or pre-primary class, as the case may be), to the extent of at least twenty-five per cent of the strength of that class, children belonging to weaker section and disadvantaged group in the neighbourhood and provide free and compulsory elementary education till its completion. The said provision applies to all private schools imparting elementary education except unaided minority schools, in view of the judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 12th April, 2012. The Government held a consultation with School Principals and other stakeholders on 14th August, 2010 and issued a guideline on 23rd November, 2010 for implementing the provisions of section 12(1)(c) and 13 of the RTE Act. Specified category schools and private unaided schools have undertaken the process of implementing these provisions.

**Closure of courses by Engineering and Management colleges**

4731. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

SHRI ANIL DESAI:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that many Engineering and Management colleges have applied to AICTE for closure of their degree or diploma courses; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI E. AHAMED): (a) and (b) According to the information given by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), some technical institutions have submitted applications for closure of courses due to various reasons including poor admission in these institutes. The State-wise number of such institute is as follows:-

(i) Chhattisgarh -04 (ii) Gujarat -13 , (iii) Madhya Pradesh - 05 (iv) West Bengal-02 (v) Bihar-01 (vi) Uttar Pradesh -17 (vii) Uttarakhand -01 (viii) Haryana -06 (ix) Punjab -06 (x) Rajasthan - 18 (xi) Andhra Pradesh - 56 (xii) Tamilnadu -02 (xiii) Karnataka -05 (xiv) Maharashtra -07.

**Student union elections in Central Universities**

4732. SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

SHRIMATI KUSUM RAI:

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