

(a) whether it is a fact that even though the number of MBA seats have increased from 4500 to 3.6 lacs in business management schools, there has been reduction in the campus recruitments of the graduates passing out of these management schools;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the reduction in the campus recruitment is due to lack of quality education, lack of quality faculty and out-dated courses not meeting the requirements of the industries; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard and the steps proposed to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) The Ministry has not conducted any study regarding placement rate in business schools. However, the placement in Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) is quite satisfactory.

(b) and (c) Quality in Business Schools is monitored through the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) as applicable as per its Approval Process Handbook. The AICTE through its various schemes such as the 'Faculty Development Programme', the Industry Institute Partnership Cell, the Quality Improvement Programme, the Innovation Promotion Scheme and Finishing Schools for students, promotes quality in technical education. Additionally, the AICTE promotes industry interaction and collaboration with industry bodies like CII, FICCI, ASSOCHAM, NASSCOM etc. to bring quality in institutions. The Indian Institutes of Management are playing a significant role in building quality business education at par with global business schools. The IIMs are encouraged to increase overseas exposure for their students through the International Student Exchange programme and the International Business School Meet where a large number of foreign schools participate. There is also an international focus to the training material used in their programmes.

#### **Requirement of new schools and teachers under RTE in Assam**

2112. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has assessed the requirement of new schools and additional teachers for implementation of Right to Education in Assam;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action Government has taken or proposes to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) to (c) The Assam Government has not yet completed the exercise of mapping the requirement of new schools.

Since commencement of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act (RTE), 2009, Assam has been allocated 3,533 new schools, 40,364 girls' toilets and 45,736 teachers based on the States' proposals under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan programme.

#### **Installation of SITs in Maharashtra**

2113. DR. BHARATKUMAR RAUT:

SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Government of Maharashtra had requested the Central Government to make available Rs.14.47 crores from the ICT scheme or any other scheme deemed fit for installation of Satellite Interactive Terminals (SITs) in the State vide letter no. SIT 2008/(185/08)/PE-5, dated 23 July, 2008;

- (b) if so, the details of the present status of the request;
- (c) the reasons for the long delay in giving approval to this project; and
- (d) the details of the time-frame for giving approval to this project and release of the funds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) to (d) Ministry of Human Resource Development is mainly implementing:

- (i) National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology which primarily focuses on higher education institutions; and
- (ii) The Centrally sponsored scheme "Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in schools" with the objectives of establishing an enabling environment to promote the usage of ICT in Government and