

Education” to enhance the employability of youth through demand driven, competency based vocational courses; to fill the gap between educated and employable; and to reduce the dropout rate at the secondary level. Under the Scheme, vocational courses are aligned to requirements of Industry on the basis of skill gap analysis and have been introduced in secondary and senior secondary schools. Currently, industry validated courses in Retail, Security, Automobile, IT&ITeS, Beauty and Wellness. Tourism, Healthcare, Physical Education and Sports sectors are being implemented under the scheme in schools.

Accreditation by NBA

3412. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is mandatory or optional for the open universities, State as well as Central, to get their programmes accredited by the National Board of Accreditation;

(b) if so, the details of open universities which have got their programmes accredited; and

(c) if optional, the reasons for keeping the programmes of open universities beyond the purview of NBA?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) The National Board of Accreditation (NBA) accredits programmes in technical education offered by technical institutions approved by the regulatory authority in the country. The NBA does not accredit programmes which are not covered under technical education and the programmes offered by open universities are not in the category of technical education under AICTE. The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has notified a Regulation namely ‘All India Council for Technical Education(Mandatory Accreditation of all programmes/courses in Technical Education Institutions and University Departments and Institutions Deemed to be University imparting Technical Education) Regulation, 2014’ for those institutions approved by the AICTE. Open universities are not covered under the ‘AICTE Act, 1987’.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Opening up of new institutes

†3413. SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the last few years, many institutes have been opened for science and technical education;

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- (b) if so, the number thereof opened during the last five years;
- (c) whether condition of learning in the subjects of humanity and arts is very poor;
- (d) the number of institutes opened in the field of arts and humanities during the last five years; and
- (e) whether Government is making any action plan for new institutes and incentives in the field of arts, commerce, culture and humanities, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Following new institutes have been set up in last few years:

- (i) Eight new Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) were set up during the Twelfth Plan period in the Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh), Patna (Bihar), Jodhpur (Rajasthan), Bhubaneswar (Orissa), Ropar (Punjab), Gandhinagar (Gujarat), Indore (Madhya Pradesh) and Mandi (Himachal Pradesh).
 - (ii) The Union Cabinet approved a scheme, based on Public- Private- Partnership (PPP) model, for setting up 20 New Indian Institutes of Information Technology (IIIT), on 07.12.2010 to address the challenges faced by the Information Technology and growth of the domestic IT market. A total of sixteen proposals from fifteen States for setting up IIITs in PPP mode have been approved by the Ministry during 2012, 2013 and 2014.
 - (iii) Ten new IITs were set up in Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Goa, Pudducherry, Sikkim, Delhi and Uttarakhand.
 - (iv) Two Schools of Planning and Architecture (SPA) at Bhopal and Vijayawada were established in the year 2008.
 - (v) The new institutions approved by AICTE during the last three years at the level of Degree Engineering 81 Diploma Engineering education is given in the Statement (*See* below).
 - (vi) A need has been felt to have one IIT in every State. Accordingly, in the Budget speech 2014, 5 new IITs in the states of Chhattisgarh, Jammu, Goa, Andhra Pradesh and Kerala have been announced.
- (c) No, Sir. Government has taken several following steps to ensure quality of learning:

- (i) Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA), launched in October, 2013, the overall quality of existing State higher educational institutions is sought to be improved by ensuring their conformity to prescribed norms and standards and adoption of accreditation as a mandatory quality assurance framework.
- (ii) The University Grants Commission (UGC) also implements various schemes aimed at improving the quality of higher education, such as Universities with Potential for Excellence (UPE), Colleges with Potential for Excellence (CPE), Special Assistance Programme (SAP), "Assistance for Strengthening of Infrastructure for Humanities and Social Sciences" (ASIHSS) etc.

(d) Following Universities were set up in various fields, which include arts and humanities, during the last five years:

	Central University	State University	Private University	Deemed University	Total
2010-11	1	9	20	-	30
2011-12	1	21	31	-	53
2012-13	-	19	40	1	60
2013-14	1	13	24	-	38
2014-15 (till 21.06.14)	-	9	12	-	21
TOTAL	3	71	127	1	202

(e) Government is committed to promotion of learning in the field of arts, commerce and humanities which is reflected in the increasing number of such institutions. There were 3937, 4246 and 4677 Institutions only for Science and Technology during the years 2006, 2008 and 2011 respectively. Similarly, there were 3991, 4193 and 4315 Institutions offering courses of only Arts and Humanities during the years 2006, 2008 and 2011 respectively. Moreover, there are more than 100 course combinations found in the Institutions of the country, where Arts and Science is taught along with other courses.

Statement

The new institutions approved by AICTE during the last three years

State	2012-2013				2013-2014				2014-2015			
	Diploma		Under Graduate		Diploma		Under Graduate		Diploma		Under Graduate	
	Application Received	Application Approved	Application Received	Application Approved	Application Received	Application Approved	Application Received	Application Approved	Application Received	Application Approved	Application Received	Application Approved
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Andhra Pradesh	21	13	6	4	32	5	3	1	55	14	10	8
Arunachal Pradesh					5							
Assam	1		2	1					1		1	
Bihar	3	1	4	3	12	4	5	2	9	4	1	-
Chhattisgarh	3	1			8	3	1	1	7	6	2	1
Daman and Diu									1		1	
Goa			1	1								
Gujarat	10	4	16	9	17	7	2	2	13	11	17	14
Haryana	12	7	9	3	3	2	9	3	10	7	6	3
Himachal Pradesh	6		4		6	1	3	3			1	
Jammu and Kashmir	13				11	9			1	1		-
Jharkhand	3		3		10	4	6	2	3	2	1	1

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Karnataka	10	3	12	3	6	3	9	3	11	2	5	2
Kerala	4	2	15	9	5	2	8	4	11	2	13	11
Madhya Pradesh	7	1	3	3	4	3	6	2	4	3	1	-
Maharashtra	40	11	29	21	21	12	14	5	40	23	15	12
Nagaland									1			
Odisha	14	3			13	1	2	2	14	4		-
Puducherry			2	1			3	1		-	2	2
Punjab	10	3	4	3	11	1	4	2	4	5	3	3
Rajasthan	28	4	20	9	11	4	9	4	17	8	2	1
Tamil Nadu	42	13	43	17	36	10	34	15	30	6	14	5
Tripura					2		1		1	1	1	1
Uttar Pradesh	63	22	18	7	49	6	7	2	64	21	3	1
Uttarakhand	9	5	2		4	3	2		18	1	4	-
West Bengal	17	10	3	1	9	4	2		14	6	5	4
GRAND TOTAL	316	103	196	95	275	84	130	54	329	127	108	69