

Sangathan (KVS) has informed that proposals for opening of new Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) have been received from various States, which include 8 proposals from Kerala. 35 proposals have been found feasible as per the norms of KVS, which include 2 proposals from Kerala for opening of new KVs at (i) Nileshwar, (Distt. Kasaragod) and (ii) Konni, (Distt. Pathanamthitta).

Government has recently accorded approval for opening of 50 new KVs at various locations in the country as per approved norms of KVS. The proposals from the sponsoring agencies who fulfil the norms of KVS within a specified time-frame will be accorded priority on first-cum-first served basis. Administrative orders for opening of these new KVs would be issued by KVS only after the sponsoring authorities transfer the land in favour of KV concerned.

Appointment of director in IIMs

2456. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that till November, 2016, 13 out of 20 Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) were functioning without full time directors;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for the lack of full time directors;

(d) the impact of this on the functioning of IIMs and whether this is hurting the reputations of these premier institutions; and

(e) the steps taken to appoint full time directors and by when all the appointments would be made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY): (a) and (b) The posts of Director in the following Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) were vacant till November, 2016:—

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| 1. IIM Bangalore | 8. IIM Amritsar |
| 2. IIM Kozhikode | 9. IIM Sirmaur |
| 3. IIM Rohtak | 10. IIM Bodh Gaya |
| 4. IIM Ranchi | 11. IIM Sambalpur |
| 5. IIM Raipur | 12. IIM Nagpur |
| 6. IIM Udaipur | 13. IIM Visakhapatnam |
| 7. IIM Tiruchirappalli | 14. IIM Jammu. |

(c) The appointment of Directors in IIMs is made as per process in terms of DoPT's guidelines and it took time to complete the process.

(d) There was no impact on the functioning of IIMs as the Directors of the mentor institutes were looking after the seven new IIMs (IIM Amritsar, IIM Sirmaur, IIM Bodh Gaya, IIM Sambalpur, IIM Nagpur, IIM Visakhapatnam and IIM Jammu), till the appointment of regular Director. For other IIMs, the tenure of the outgoing Director had been extended or the senior most Professor of the Institute was given additional charge of the post of Director. Hence, the functioning of IIMs was taken care of by the well established and experienced administrators/academicians.

(e) The appointment of Directors in 9 IIMs (IIM Sambalpur, IIM Nagpur, IIM Sirmaur, IIM Visakhapatnam, IIM Rohtak, IIM Raipur, IIM Ranchi, IIM Tiruchirappalli and IIM Bangalore) have been made on 10.02.2017. In the case of five IIMs, namely IIM Amritsar, IIM Jammu, IIM Udaipur, IIM Kozhikode and IIM Bodh Gaya, the appointment of Directors is underway.

Objectives of technical and vocational education

2457. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the objectives set out with regard to technical/tertiary education and training and vocational education have been met across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year;

(c) the number of beneficiaries and the budget allocation made for the same during the above period; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to ensure that targets set out under the programme are achieved and the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) through the University Grants Commission (UGC) and the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) is ensuring that the objectives set out with regard to technical/tertiary education and training and vocational education are being met throughout the country. The major Schemes of the AICTE in vocational education are Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana by Technical Institutes (PMKVY-TI), Community College, National Employability Enhancement Mission (NEEM) and Employability Enhancement Training Programme (EETP). The number of Institutions that have been approved by the AICTE has also increased in the last three years and the current year, the details of which are as under:—