

Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN). Further initiatives like the e-shodh Sindhu, National Digital Library and SWAYAM have provided opportunity for Indian institutions to do better on global platform. The IIT Council has also approved the proposal to implement a host of measures for building world class laboratories, collaborative research, and global outreach for improving the ranking of the IITs. As regards IIMs, no specific grant is given to them, except for infrastructure and recurring grants to new IIMs in initial years. The grant so given is also used for research.

Admission for vocational courses in NIOS

2465. SHRI SHANKARBHAI N. VEGAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any data of admission in vocational courses in National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA): (a) and (b) NIOS is maintaining the database of learners enrolled in Vocational Courses. The details of enrollment during the last three years are as under:—

Year	Total Admissions
2013-14	27,008
2014-15	32,472
2015-16	30,990

The State-wise details are given in the Statement.

Statement

State-wise details of Vocational Admission 2013-14 to 2015-16

State	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Andhra Pradesh	246	230	50
Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0
Assam	180	122	232
Bihar	985	849	823
Chandigarh	256	299	259
Chhattisgarh	492	502	486
Delhi	3574	4009	3917

State	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Goa	7	0	0
Gujarat	567	755	747
Haryana	1417	1693	1624
Himachal Pradesh	708	1053	1022
Jammu and Kashmir	326	546	249
Jharkhand	490	352	601
Karnataka	448	426	462
Kerala	2015	2945	2109
Madhya Pradesh	1867	2058	2508
Maharashtra	124	410	282
Odisha	137	154	121
Puducherry	150	438	508
Punjab	709	1834	1250
Rajasthan	8123	8513	9128
Tamil Nadu	246	651	379
Uttar Pradesh	2698	3278	2960
Uttarakhand	327	434	328
West Bengal	876	868	893
Tripura	40	44	46
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0	0	0
Manipur	0	8	0
Telangana	0	1	0
Nepal	0	0	6
TOTAL	27008	32472	30990

Students facing problems with English language

2466. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a majority of students from Government schools are facing problems with English language;