

**International Institute of Information Technology in Orissa**

2178. SHRI B.J. PANDA:

MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

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

(a) whether the Orissa Government proposes to start International Institute of Information Technology, as no firm commitment is coming from the Central Government for the proposed Indian Institute of Information Technology;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of both the financial and physical help that would be extended by the Central Government to the State, to execute the above project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) The Ministry of Human Resource Development has not received any proposal from the Government of Orissa for establishment of an International Institute of Information Technology in that State.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**Vacancies in universities**

†2179. SHRI BHAGWATI SINGH:

SHRI BRU BHUSHAN TIWARI:

SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of posts of lecturers are lying vacant in several universities;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a circular has been issued by the University Grants Commission to fill up the vacant posts of lecturers;

(c) if so, whether any action has been taken by the Government to fill the vacant posts; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The University Grants Commission as well as the Central Government have requested all the State Governments and Universities to fill vacant positions and where required re-employ the superannuated teachers for filling up the vacant posts as per norms of the Commission.

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.