

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1917

TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2025

MoU between Data Informatics and Innovation Division and IIIT- Delhi

1917. SMT. GEETA ALIAS CHANDRAPRABHA:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the contribution of the partnership between Data Informatics and Innovation Division, and Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology (IIIT)- Delhi in enhancing Statistical and data analytics capabilities;

(b) whether students and faculty of IIIT - Delhi will have the opportunity to participate in Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation projects under this agreement, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any similar partnerships are being planned with other academic institutions or private sector; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE [RAO INDERJIT SINGH]

(a): Under the Data Innovation lab Component of Capacity Development Scheme of the ministry, it is envisaged to partner with academic institutions to create an innovation ecosystem, by forging a link between academia and practitioners. This partnership is expected to leverage academic expertise to tackle real-world challenges in official statistics.

(b): Yes Sir. Students and faculty of Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, Delhi, can participate in MoSPI projects under this MoU, subject to the guidelines of the Data Innovation Lab component of the Capacity Development Scheme.

(c) and (d): Yes Sir. MoUs have been signed with IIM Nagpur, IIT Madras, IIIT Vadodara, IIT Gandhinagar and Maharaja Agrasen University, in addition to Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, Delhi. This is an ongoing process and MoUs are signed as and when the partnership with academic institutions is finalized.
