

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**QUESTION NO 21.04.2010**  
**ANSWERED ON**  
**. CENTRE FOR EXCELLANCE STATUS TO NID .**

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SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDEY

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether it is a fact that in the absence of having the status of Centre for Excellence, the National Institute of Design (NID) is not able to offer graduate, post graduate and Ph.D degrees and is restricted to offer only diplomas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the Governing Body of the NID has been requesting the Government for giving it the Centre for Excellence status; and
- (d) if so, the reasons for delay in giving it the above status?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) NID offers professional education programmes resulting in Undergraduate Diploma (4-year programme) and Post Graduate Diploma (2- 2 ½ year programme) under five faculties in 17 diverse design domains.
- (c) No, Sir. The NID is still in the process of finalizing its views in the matter.
- (d) Does not arise.