GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3236

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Establishment of more IITs in Odisha

3236 Smt. Mamata Mohanta:

Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of IITs established in Odisha during the last five years;
- (b) whether Government has any proposal to establish more IITs in some other districts of the state;
- (c) whether the number of faculties presently posted in the existing IITs are enough in order to impart quality education to the students;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the total number of posts of teaching staffs that are lying vacant in these IITs at present; and
- (e) Whether Government has taken steps to fill these vacancy positions for various posts in these IITs?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

- (a) & (b): Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bhubaneswar in Odisha was established in 2008. There is no proposal to establish more IITs in Odisha at present.
- (c) & (d): IITs are premier technical institutions which impart quality education to the students. Filling up of vacancies is a continuous process and IITs strive to maintain a faculty-student ratio of 1:10. At present, 6752 faculty are posted in IITs, while 4526 faculty posts are vacant. Since the strength of faculty is linked with the strength of students, the actual sanctioned strength/vacant positions of faculty fluctuates from time to time.
- (e): In order to recruit faculty, IITs issue rolling Advertisements, which are open throughout the year for all candidates, who fulfil the required qualifications and experience. IITs also have a provision of recruiting/ appointing visiting/ adjunct faculty/ Professor of Practice/ Emeritus professor, etc. Ministry has also directed all IITs to fill the vacant posts in mission mode. 827 faculty selections/ appointments have been made in the IITs since July, 2022.
