

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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School of Planning and Architecture (SPAs)

982 DR. MEDHA VISHRAM KULKARNI:

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

- (a) the details of School of Planning and Architecture (SPAs) in India and the number of students studying in SPAs, State-wise;
- (b) whether Government intends to open more SPAs in future, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of Government or Private Schools/Colleges or any premier institutions for studying Planning and Architecture in India, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (c) At present, there are 3 centrally funded Schools of Planning and Architecture (SPAs) situated in Delhi, Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh) & Vijayawada (Andhra Pradesh) established under SPA Act, 2014 as Institutions of National Importance. The number of students studying in centrally funded SPAs are given below:

S.No.	SPA	State/UT	Students
1	SPA Delhi	NCT of Delhi	1388
2	SPA Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh	930
3	SPA Vijayawada	Andhra Pradesh	908

IITs, NITs, CUs, SPAs are autonomous bodies imparting technical education as per mandate of their respective Acts. Besides SPAs, Departments of Architecture and Planning also exist in many IITs/NITs/Universities. Opening of new institutions and strengthening of institutions is a continuous exercise which is done on the basis of an assessment and availability of seats, demand for specific course and consultation with industries. The information pertaining to the number of Government or Private Schools/Colleges or any premier institutions for studying Planning and Architecture in India may be accessed at the following web-links:

<https://ecoa.in/academic/public/ApprovedInstitutionUgList>
