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Financial Assistance to AICTE

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

- (a) whether Government provides financial assistance to All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) to promote quality education across the country;
- (b) if so, the details of financial assistance provided to AICTE during the last three years, year-wise;
- (c) whether Government has implemented the Institute of Eminence (IoE) scheme to improve quality education;
- (d) if so, the norms prescribed for selection of institutes under the (IoE) scheme;
- (e) the details of the name of public and private institutes selected to emerge as world-class teaching and research institutes; and
- (f) the details of financial assistance provided to these institutes?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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(a) to (f): All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), a statutory body under the Ministry of Education, grants approval for conducting courses in Technical Education at diploma, undergraduate and post graduate levels to Technical Institutions.

AICTE undertakes several activities to enhance the quality of technical education in the country, including developing and regularly updating model curricula, facilitating internships for practical exposure, implementing various programs aimed at promoting innovation and skill development, providing scholarships to support students etc.

The expenditure made by AICTE for scholarships as part of Quality Improvement Initiatives is 344.814 crores, 284.32 cores and 309.475 crores for the financial years 2022-23, 2023-24 and

2024-25 respectively. During the same period, i.e., last three financial years, Ministry of Education had released grant in aid of Rs. 420 cores, 352.25 crores and 137.5 crores to the AICTE. Functioning and activities of AICTE are financed through its internal revenue and grant in aid from the Ministry of Education.

AICTE also supports other activities to enhance the quality of education. These activities include establishing Idea Development, Evaluation and Application (IDEA) Labs; scheme for promoting interests, creativity and ethics among students; conducting skill and personality development programs; assistance to file patents; and supporting the growth of entrepreneurship and start-ups, among others.

The Ministry of Education has launched the World Class Institutions scheme in the year 2017 to grant the status of Institution of Eminence (IoE) to higher educational institutions to enable them to emerge as world class teaching and research institutions.

The eligibility criteria for granting IoE status to educational institutions are mentioned in UGC Guidelines/Regulations – 2017 available at <http://ioe.ugc.ac.in/>.

Under this Scheme, 12 higher educational institutions have been notified as IoE as on date, including 08 public category institutions, namely – IIT Bombay, IIT Delhi, IIT Madras, IIT Kharagpur, IISc Bangalore, BHU Varanasi, University of Hyderabad, and University of Delhi and 04 private category institutions namely – BITS Pilani, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, O.P. Jindal Global University and Shiv Nadar University.

Under this Scheme financial assistance is provided to Public Institutions. An amount of Rs. 6198.99 Crore (approximately) has been sanctioned for the 08 Public Institutions since the inception of the scheme.
