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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

RAJYA SABHA
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New IIIT or IISER in Odisha

1945. **Smt. Sulata Deo:**

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

(a) whether there is any plan to establish a new Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) or Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) in Odisha; and
(b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) & (b): The Government is committed to strengthening and expanding existing institutions and aligning them with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which envisions multidisciplinary and holistic education across sciences, social sciences, arts and humanities. The policy emphasizes moving towards multidisciplinary academic institutions to enable high-quality interdisciplinary teaching and research across all fields.

At present, Odisha has one Indian Institute of Technology (IIT Bhubaneshwar), one National Institute of Technology (NIT Rourkela), one Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER Berhampur), one Indian Institute of Management (IIM Sambalpur) and one Central University (CU of Odisha, Koraput).

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