

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2010
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.11.2016**

Engineering Institutes

2010. KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:

Will the Minister of **HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has created Joint Seat Allocation Authority, 2016 (JoSAA);
- (b) if so, the purpose for creation of said authority; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that seats in premier Institute of the country don't go wasted?

A N S W E R

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)**

(a) : Yes Madam.

(b) & (c) : Since 2015 – 2016, the Ministry of Human Resource Development has started joint counseling from the point of view of minimization of vacant seats. The joint counseling brought Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), National Institutes of Technology (NITs), Indian Institutes of Information Technology (IIITs), Indian School of Mines (ISM), Dhanbad and other Centrally Funded Technical Institutions (CFTIs) under one umbrella. The objective of common counseling is to eradicate / remove the problem of reserving the multiple seats. Multiple options can be applied for by the candidates but not more than one seat can be reserved.

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