

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 835  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.11.2016**

**Setting up of College in A&N**

**835. SHRI BISHNU PADA RAY:**

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

- (a) whether the Andaman and Nicobar (A&N) Administration has taken any initiative for establishment of two polytechnics, one each at Car Nicobar and Diglipur, as per incentives/assistances to be provided by the Ministry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be set up;
- (c) whether the A&N Administration has taken any action on the letter of the public representative of A&N Islands regarding misleading the Parliament on the subject; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against the official concerned?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) to (b) As per the scheme of 'Establishment of Polytechnics' under Sub-Mission on Polytechnics, the Central Government is providing financial assistance upto Rs. 12.30 Crore per Polytechnic to State Governments / Union Territories for setting up of Polytechnics in those 300 districts which do not have any Polytechnics in Government sector, subject to the condition that the State Governments / Union Territories would provide land free of cost and would meet the recurring expenditure. Two Districts in Andaman & Nicobar Islands, namely Nicobar and Middle Andaman Districts were identified for the same. The Union Territory Administration however, has informed in July, 2011 and again in 2016 that it already has spare capacity in its existing Polytechnic and hence setting up of new Polytechnics is not viable.
- (c) to (d) The Ministry of Human Resource Development is not aware of misleading of the Parliament by the Administration of A&N Islands in this regard.

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