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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2961 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.03.2017

Employability of Students

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

- (a) whether employability of the students passing out of the colleges/ institutes in the country remain low not withstanding the efforts made by various committees/commissions set up to ameliorate the quality of education and conduct a study thereon;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the number of engineering students who are not able to secure gainful employment;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any cognizance in this regard and formulated a fresh policy for higher education and proposes to open finishing schools to address the problem;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the date on which and the manner in which it is likely to be implemented;
- (e) whether various committees have suggested fixing the accountability of teachers in this and assessment of the performance of the teachers by the students; and
- (f) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and the steps being taken in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

- (a) & (b): The Government has not conducted any survey in this regard but there is a perception that not all engineering graduates are getting employment.
- (c) & (d): Several steps are being taken by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) for improving the employability of the students coming out of the technical institutions. This includes the initiatives like National Employability Enhancement Mission (NEEM) and Employability Enhancing Training Programme (EETP). Apart from this, AICTE Council has approved a host of measures in their meeting on 14th March 2017 consisting of: mandatory internships, curriculum revision in consultation with Industry and industry-readiness training at the end of their course, which will improve the employability of the students coming out the technical institutions
- (e) & (f): There were no committee constituted for this purpose.