

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4111  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2017**

**Institutes of National Importance**

**4111. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:**

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

- (a) the guidelines and norms framed by the Government to declare any institute as an institute of national importance;
- (b) the number of institutes in fields of arts and music having the said status or are being considered by Government to grant status of national importance;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposal by Chhattisgarh Government to grant status of national importance to Indira Kala and Sangeet Vishvavidyalay Khairagarh; and
- (d) if so, the decision taken thereon and the rationale behind the decision?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a): There are no prescribed guidelines for declaring an institution as an Institution of National Importance (INI). The status of INI is conferred through an Act of Parliament.
- (b): Only one Institute namely Kalakshetra Foundation, Thiruvananthapuram, Chennai has been declared as an INI and a proposal to declare National School of Drama, New Delhi under the Ministry of Culture as an INI is under consideration of the Government.
- (c) & (d): The Ministry has not received any proposal from Chhattisgarh Government for grant of status of INI to Indira Kala and Sangeet Vishvavidyalay Khairagarh.

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