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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4118 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2017

Increased Intake by IIMs

4118. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) plan to augment their student intake capacity and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government would be providing budgetary support in order to build up their additional infrastructural requirements and if so, the details thereof along with the budgetary allocations;
- (c) whether students from the economically weaker backgrounds be given any advantage to be a part of such institutions; and
- (d) whether the IIMs would partner with the Government on a project wherein faculty members of top institutions would offer free online courses to citizens and if so, the details thereof?

A N S W E R MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

- (a) & (b): Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) have been asked to examine feasibility of increasing their student strength, depending on existing space availability and infrastructure. They have been asked to first assess their capacity to increase the number of seats. Based on the analysis, they are expected to submit concrete proposals, including financing scheme, to their Board of Governors for approval.
- (c): IIMs while admitting students on merit, follow the provisions of reservations provided for under Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006. Students of economically background are assisted through arrangements of loans and scholarships so that no deserving student is deprived from studying in IIMs.
- (d): IIMs will also participate in the proposed Ministry of Human Resource Development's online platform SWAYAM and offer Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) as per SWAYAM Guidelines.
