

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 594
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2017**

World Class Institutions

594. PROF. K.V. THOMAS:

SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:

SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI:

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

- (a) whether the government has any proposal to establish world class institutions for higher education in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the progress thereon, State-wise including Bhubaneswar in Orissa;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. There is a proposal to upgrade / setup 10 public and 10 private world class teaching and research institutions. These institutions are proposed to be named as 'Institutions of Eminence'. The Ministry of Human Resource Development, in consultation with University Grants Commission (UGC) has formulated draft UGC (Declaration of Government Educational Institutions as Institutions of Eminence) Guidelines, 2017 for public institutions and draft UGC (Institutions of Eminence Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2017 for private institutions and necessary approvals on the same are being obtained in the Government. The selection of Institutions of Eminence shall be made only after the Guidelines and Regulations are notified.
