

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 290
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.02.2018**

Engineering Colleges

290. SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:

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

- (a)** whether it is a fact that the number of students getting enrolled in engineering colleges has been dipping due to a near stagnated job market and if so, the details thereof;
- (b)** whether one out of three engineering graduates is not getting campus placements due to lack of required skill and knowledge of specific jobs; and
- (c)** if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)

(a): The details of the students getting enrolled in AICTE approved engineering colleges and their average placement percentage for the last three academic years is as follows:

SI.No.	Academic Year	Sanctioned Intake	Enrolled students	No. of students placed	Average Placement
1.	2014-15	39,61,662	21,38,023	6,68,965	42.48%
2.	2015-16	38,35,795	20,76,395	6,97,233	42.97%
3.	2016-17	37,01,674	19,32,644	6,40,573	N.A.

The filling up of seats in engineering colleges is dependent on demand-supply situation which is attributed to location of the institute, academic and infrastructural facilities and placement prospects.

(b) & (c): No, Madam. As per the record maintained by AICTE, the average placement percentage for engineering students has risen from 42.48% in 2014-15 to 42.97% in 2015-16. The average

placement numbers do not take into account the students who get off-campus placement opportunities, opt for higher studies and get self-employed in start-ups.

In order to revamp the engineering curriculum and to impart the requisite skill set to the students to enhance the employability of engineering students, AICTE has approved an action plan with the following objectives:

- i) Induction Training.
- ii) Revision of Curriculum.
- iii) Mandatory Internships.
- iv) Industry Readiness.
- v) Mandatory Accreditation.

Further, AICTE is implementing schemes namely National Employment Enhancement Mission (NEEM) and Employability Enhancement Training Program (EETP) to enhance the employability of the students. In addition, AICTE has also partnered with Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Govt of India, Internshala, NETiit and LinkedIn to provide internship opportunities and industry exposure to students for aligning their technical knowhow with industry requirements.
