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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3003 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018

Status to Institutions

3003. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

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

- (a) whether his Ministry has recently awarded Institution of Eminence (IoE) status to the institutions:
- (b) if so, the parameters set by the Ministry to select these institutions and total number of institutions which applied in this regard; and
- (c) the academic and financial assistance provided by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. Based on the advice of University Grants Commission (UGC) on the report of Empowered Expert Committee (EEC), the Government issued Notifications declaring 3 public Institutions namely (i) Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore; (ii) Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi; and (iii) Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay as Institutions of Eminence (IoEs). Besides, Letters of Intent have been issued to three private Institutions namely (i) Birla Institute of Technology & Sciences, Pilani; (ii) Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal; and (iii) Jio Institute, Maharashtra under the Greenfield category. It will be set up as an Institutions of Eminence Deemed to be University within three years of issuance of 'Letter of Intent'.

These Institutions have been recommended and approved by EEC & UGC based on their detailed fifteen year strategic vision plan and a five year rolling implementation plan viz. Academic Plan, Faculty Recruitment Plan, Students Admission plan, Research Plan,

Networking Plan, Infrastructure development Plan, Finance Plan, Administrative Plan, Governance Plan, etc. with clear annual milestones and action plans on how the Institutions of Eminence are to be set up, with identifiable outputs and outcomes and how their plan to meet the criteria for attaining the status of an Institution of Eminence, as mentioned in their application and presentations made before the EEC. A total number of 114 applications – 74 from public sector and 40 from private sector, including 11 applications in the Greenfield projects have been received for grant of IoE status.

Each public Institution selected as IoE shall be provided financial assistance upto Rupees 1000 Crore over a period of five years. An amount of Rs. 128.90 Crore has already been released to three selected IoEs as the first installment. Apart from this, the selected IoEs have been provided autonomy to admit foreign students up to 30% of admitted students; to recruit foreign faculty upto 25% of faculty strength; to offer online courses upto 20% of its programmes; to enter into academic collaboration with top 500 in the world ranking Institutions without permission of UGC; free to fix and charge fees from foreign students without restriction; flexibility of course structure in terms of number of credit hours and years to take a degree; complete flexibility in fixing of curriculum and syllabus, etc.
