

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1410  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.07.2019**

**Institute of Eminence**

**1410.SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:**

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

- (a) the details and the status of the Institutes of Eminence in the field of education in the country;
- (b) whether private greenfield institutes will continue to be provided the tag of IoE as has been the case previously;
- (c) whether any goals have been set to achieve in the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) of 2021;
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to achieve the said goals, at the Central Schools level; and
- (e) the details of training being imparted to teachers for the PISA 2021?

**ANSWER  
MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')**

(a) & (b): The Central Government, after considering recommendation of University Grants Commission (UGC) on the report of Empowered Expert Committee, issued Notifications to 3 Public Institutions namely Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore; Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi & Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay. Apart from this, the Government has issued Letters of Intent to 3 Private Institutions namely Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Karnataka; Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani under brown field category and Jio Institute under green field category for setting up/up-gradation of Institution of Eminence Deemed to be University within a period of 3 years. 'Institutions of Eminence' tag can be used by these Private Institutions only after issuance of Notification by this Ministry declaring them as Institution of Eminence Deemed to be University.

(c) & (d): The Government of India has signed an agreement with the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) to participate in the 2021 administration of its Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA). PISA is a

triennial international survey that aims to evaluate education systems worldwide by testing the skills and knowledge of 15 year old students in Mathematics, Science and Reading. It is a competency based assessment which unlike content based assessment, measures the extent to which students have acquired key competencies that are essential for full participation in modern societies. It has been decided that the Kendriya Vidyalaya (KVs) and Navodaya Vidyalaya (NVs) & Schools of Chandigarh Administration would participate in PISA 2021. The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) and National Council of Education Research and Training (NCERT) will be part of the process and activities leading to the actual test.

(e): Ministry of Human Resource Development has approved capacity building activities for teachers for enhancing their technical skills and capacity to orient students for PISA 2021.

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