

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
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Indian Universities Campuses Abroad

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to encourage high performing Indian Universities to set up campuses abroad under the National Education Policy (NEP), 2020;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the countries with which India has signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to facilitate academic cooperation; and
- (d) the total number of students/faculty that have benefitted from student-exchange programme during each of the last four years?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)**

(a) and (b): National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 focuses on Internationalization of education and inter-alia recommends to encourage High performing Indian universities to set up their campuses in other countries. An MoU for setting up of campus of IIT Madras in Zanzibar-Tanzania has been signed on 5-7-2023 between the Ministry of Education (MoE), Govt. of India, IIT Madras and Ministry of Education and Vocational Training (MoEVT) Zanzibar- Tanzania. Also, an MoU has been signed between Ministry of Education (MoE), Govt. of India, IIT Delhi and Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge (United Arab Emirates), on 15-7-2023, for setting up of campus of IIT Delhi in Abu Dhabi.

(c): Details of countries with which India has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to facilitate academic cooperation is available in public domain and can be accessed at <https://www.education.gov.in/international-cooperation-cell-6>. In addition to this, Educational Institutions in India also sign MoUs at their own level.

(d): There is no centralized data on student/faculty exchange programme as these are done at the level of Institutions spread across the country falling under the administrative control of different ministries/state governments.
