

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 77
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.11.2019**

Placement of Graduates

77.MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is absolute communication gap with regard to placement of graduate candidates for employment among this Ministry and other Ministries;
- (b) if not, the reasons due to which Government is not able to provide employment to graduates/undergraduates candidates from different streams; and
- (c) the reasons for absence of mechanism to accommodate the job seekers from various colleges?

ANSWER

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

- (a): No, Madam.
- (b)& (c): Employment of graduates/under graduates is dependent on opportunities generated by economic growth. However, under the purview of Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) the following steps have been taken to enhance job orientation and employability of graduates/undergraduates students:
 - (i) University Grants Commission (UGC) is providing skill based courses (through 188 Community Colleges, 289 Institutes offering B.Voc programmes and 68 DDU KaushalKendras) to 68,663 students and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) is running vocational degree/diploma courses through 473 institutions with approved intake strength of 35,450 students. Also, Ministry is working along with Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) under National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)

to undertake Apprenticeship/Internship degree programmes with core focus on development of knowledge, skills, aptitude and on-job training. Some of the sectors like Logistics & Retail have commenced Degree Apprenticeship programmes in 15 institutions.

- (ii) New and updated vocational curricula are being developed in line with industry demand in B.VoC programmes.
- (iii) AICTE has launched an Internship portal to facilitate industry internship to students. Internship has been made mandatory for students of engineering colleges.
- (iv) Wheebox Employability Skill Test (WEST) being held for all pre-final and final year graduates of AICTE approved institutions to identify the core strengths of students and certify the same.
- (v) Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP) Phase-III is under implementation to enhance quality, equity and employability in selected engineering education institutions.
- (vi) National Career Service (NCS) portal has been launched as a common platform to bring together stakeholders like job seekers, employers, counsellors, local service providers and trainer etc. to facilitate convergence of information and link job seekers with job providers.

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