

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Establishment of IIT or Similar Institution in Amritsar

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Amritsar's strategic location and potential make it an ideal Place for development as a technology and research hub;
- (b) whether establishing an IIT or a similar institution in this region would significantly enhance education, innovation, and attract talent and investment;
- (c) whether the Government has any plans or proposals to establish such an institution in Amritsar to foster growth in this important area; and
- (d) whether making Amritsar a hub of technology is likely to generate job opportunities and career growth for youth as most of the youth is leaving the country India for studies and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (d): National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 envisions multidisciplinary and holistic education cutting across sciences, social sciences, arts and humanities. The policy emphasizes moving towards multidisciplinary educational institutions to enable high-quality cross-disciplinary teaching and research across fields.

Currently, an Indian Institute of Management (IIM) is already operational at Amritsar. Additionally, there are many other Centrally Funded Higher Education institutions in Punjab like Dr. B. R. Ambedkar National Institute of Technology, Jalandhar, National

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Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) Mohali, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) Mohali, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Ropar, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Bathinda, Sant Longowal Institute of Engineering and Technology (SLIET) Sangrur and a Central University of Punjab.
