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Institutions of Eminence Scheme in NE Region

1230. Shri Pradyut Bordoloi:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of implementation of the “Institutions of Eminence” (IoE) scheme launched in 2017;
- (b) whether the Government has set any revised timeline for granting IoE status to additional institutions;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any Higher Educational Institution from the North Eastern region has been granted IoE status;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to include institutions from the North Eastern States, including Assam under the IoE scheme in the near future;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

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(a) to (g): World Class Institutions Scheme, also known as Institutions of Eminence (IoE) Scheme was launched in 2017 to create distinct category of institutions with great deal of autonomy in academic, administrative and financial matters so as to enable them to emerge as World Class Academic and Research Institutions in a reasonable time period. 12 higher educational institutions have been notified as IoE under the scheme namely - IIT Bombay, IIT Delhi, IIT Madras, IIT Kharagpur, IISc Bangalore, BHU Varanasi, University of Hyderabad, University of Delhi, BITS Pilani, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, O.P. Jindal Global University and Shiv Nadar University, Greater Noida. Further, granting of IoE status to additional institution through new applications is not under consideration.
