

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

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO.105
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2015

Higher Education and Research

*105. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

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

- (a) whether India and Australia propose to intensify existing partnership in higher education and research including technical and professional education, schools, vocational education and training in the country;
- (b) if so, whether India and Australia have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on cooperation in the fields of education, training and research in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of students likely to be benefited as a result thereof; and
- (d) whether India has signed similar MoUs with other countries and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 105 FOR 07.12.2015 ASKED BY HON'BLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE AND SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

(a) India and Australia have had a very active bilateral cooperation in the field of education. An Educational Exchange Programme (EEP) was signed between the two countries way back in 2003. Under this, both countries have agreed on a detailed program of academic exchange under the EEP. Besides this, a Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) on Student Mobility and Welfare was signed between India and Australia on 17th October, 2012. Further, with a view to give a strategic direction of the education, training and research partnership between the two countries a bi-national body Australia India Educational Council (AIEC) was established in 2011.

(b) A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on cooperation in the fields of Education, Training and Research was signed on 24th August, 2015 at New Delhi during the third Australia-India Education Council meeting. The objective of the MoU, inter alia, includes increase in cooperation across all education sectors – schools, vocational education and training (VET) and higher education including technical and professional education.

(c) Outcome of the MoU in terms of students benefitted is not quantifiable at this juncture.

(d) Yes, Madam. The Government has signed Educational Exchange Programmes (EEPs) / Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs)/Joint Statements with 53 countries/ multilateral organisations. The list of inter-governmental instruments signed is annexed.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 105 FOR 07.12.2015
ASKED BY HON'BLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE AND SHRI RAHUL
SHEWALE REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

1.	MONGOLIA	09.07.2002 (EEP)
2.	ARMENIA	03.10.2002 (EEP)
3.	TANZANIA	27.04.2003 (EEP)
4.	GUYANA	25.08.2003 (EEP)
5.	ISRAEL	09.09.2003 (EEP)
6.	AUSTRALIA	23.10.2003 (EEP) 24.08.2015 (MOU)
7.	MYANMAR	02.11.2003 (MOU)
8.	SYRIA	15.11.2003 (EEP)
9.	UZBEKISTAN	05.04.2005 (EEP)
10.	NEW ZEALAND	19.04.2005 (EEP)
11.	THAILAND	03.06.2005 (MOU)
12.	SRI LANKA	10.06.2005 (EEP)
13.	MEXICO	21.10.2005 (EEP)
14.	BRAZIL	01.02.2006 (EEP)
15.	AFGHANISTAN	10.04.2006 (MOU)
16.	CROATIA	19.04.2006 (EEP)
17.	ECUADOR	18.07.2006 (EEP)
18.	RWANDA	25.07.2006 (EEP)
19.	SOUTH AFRICA	02.10.2006 (MOU)
20.	SAUDI ARABIA	06.11.2006 (MOU)
21.	CHINA	15.05.2015 (EEP)
22.	PORTUGAL	11.01.2007 (EEP)
23.	FRANCE	15.02.2007 (EEP)
24.	ETHIOPIA	05.07.2007 (EEP)
25.	VIETNAM	06.07.2007 (EEP)
26.	OMAN	14.12.2007 (MOU)
27.	NORWAY	18.06.2008 (MOU)
28.	CHILE	17.03.2009 (EEP)
29.	BOTSWANA	09.01.2010 (EEP)
30.	MALAYSIA	20.1.2010 (MOU)
31.	TURKMENISTAN	25.05.2010 (MOU)
32.	CANADA	27.06.2010 (MOU)
33.	INDONESIA	25.01.2011 (MOU)
34.	MOZAMBIQUE	13.07.2011 (EEP)
35.	RUSSIA	16.12.2011 (EEP)
36.	TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	06.01.2012 (MOU)
37.	MAURITIUS	07.02.2012 (EEP)
38.	YEMEN	02.04.2012 (EEP)
39.	QATAR	09.04.2012 (EEP)
40.	TAJIKISTAN	03.09.2012 (EEP)
41.	BURUNDI	18.09.2012 (EEP)
42.	BELARUS	14.11.2012 (EEP)
43.	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	12.12.2012 (MOU)
44.	GERMANY	11.04.2013 (MOU)
	GERMANY	05.10.2015 (JDI)
45.	ESTONIA	15.10.2013 (EEP)
46.	PERU	28.10.2013 (EEP)
47.	KUWAIT	08.11.2013 (EEP)
48.	HUNGARY	19.11.2014 (EEP)
49.	U. K.	Joint Statement (13.11.2014)
50.	U.S.A.	Joint Statement (13.10.2011) 23.01.2015 (JDI)
51.	CZECH REPUBLIC	Joint Declaration (28.04.2009)
52.	U.A.E	03.09.2015 (MOU)
53.	BRICS Countries	18.11.2015 (MOU)