

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

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 312
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2015

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

†*312. SHRI C.R. CHAUDHARY:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken adequate steps to promote and popularise vocational education in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has introduced any scheme for Graduates, Diploma holders and 10+2 pass-outs, vocational certificate holders in the country and if so, the salient features of the scheme along with the action taken in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to introduce any training scheme for diploma holders and 10+2 pass-outs with vocational training and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has fixed any time frame for the introduction of the scheme; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which it is likely to be introduced?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTs (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 312 FOR 21.12.2015 ASKED BY SHRI C.R. CHAUDHARY REGARDING "VOCATIONAL EDUCATION".

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Human Resource Development has taken several steps to promote and popularize vocational education in the country and introduced schemes of Community College, B. Voc degree programmes and Deen Dayal Upadhyay KAUSHAL Kendras to award of Certificates, Diplomas, Advanced Level Diplomas and Bachelor's as well as Master's Degree programme. Details of the schemes are available on the website of University Grants Commission (UGC). The detail of Community College Scheme is also available on the website of All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).

(c) to (e): With a view to providing engineering skills to the unemployed youth, Ministry of Human Resource Development has approved an initiative under the umbrella of the Pradhan Mantri Kaushalya Vikas Yojana (PMKVY). Under this, each technical institution in the Country has been advised to conduct courses in core engineering skills after the college-hours for the unemployed and interested youth in the vicinity. The existing infrastructure and teaching faculty available with the institution would used for these trainings. Each College is expected to train 100 such youth and help in their placement after due certification, thereby adding 10 lakh youth trained in the engineering skills to the labour force. The costs to be incurred for teaching/learning activity would be met by the Government for which an amount of Rs. 489.74 Cr has been approved for expenditure in the next 3 years. This initiative will be launched from the academic year 2016-17.

AICTE has also issued National Employability Enhancement Mission (NEEM) Regulation, 2013, which aims to offer on the job practical training to enhance employability of graduates/diploma holders or students pursuing graduation/diploma to increase their employability in any technical or non-technical stream or have discontinued studies of degree or diploma course.
