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

#### LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2355 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2015

### **New Polytechnics**

#### 2355. SHRI BISHNU PADA RAY:

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

- (a) whether the Government has noticed that the Andaman and Nicobar (A&N) Administration has taken any initiative for establishment of two new polytechnics one each at North and Middle Andaman districts and the Nicobar district through a scheme of setting up of new polytechnics in unserved and undeserved districts under the Submission of polytechnics sanctioned by the Ministry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the infrastructure including lands for these two polytechnics have been allotted; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) to (d) Under the scheme namely 'Sub-Mission on Polytechnics under Coordinated Action for Skill Development' launched during the 11<sup>th</sup> Plan, this Ministry provides one-time financial assistance upto Rs.12.30 crores per Polytechnic to the State/UT Governments for setting up of new Polytechnics in 300 un-served and under-served districts of the country. Two Districts were indentified in Andaman and Nicobar (A&N) initially under the Scheme. However, presently there is no plan to undertake any further action, since Andaman & Nicobar Administration has intimated that setting up of new polytechnics is not viable since there is unutilized capacity of seats on the Islands.

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