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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2382 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2015

Shortage of Government Colleges

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

- (a) whether the Government has noticed that students migrated to other States for study on account of shortage of Government medical and engineering colleges in their own States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether students have to take admission in private colleges owing to shortage of Government colleges;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether these private colleges charge hefty amount in the name of fee;
- (f) if so, whether the Government proposes to open Government colleges in all States;
- (g) if so, whether the Government proposes to open any medical and engineering college in Dadra and Nagar Haveli; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof and the time by which these are likely to be set up?

ANSWER

Minister of Human Resource Development (Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani)

- (a) to (d) There is competition among students due to limited seats in government and reputed private institutions as compared to the number of applications. Overall there is surplus capacity in the engineering sector with 8,44,328 seats remaining vacant in 2014-15.
- (e) Some instances of taking excess fee have come to the notice of All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE). It has called upon students, parents and the general public

not to pay any capitation fee or any other fee other than that mentioned in the Prospectus of the institutions for consideration of admission through advertisement/public notice from time to time. Aggrieved students/parents can send their complaint to Grievance Redressal Committee of the Institution and, if not satisfied with the decision of the Committee, they can send an appeal to the Ombudsman. The Srikrishna Committee setup by AICTE has not recommended charging of capitation fee except tuition and development fee. Any institution reported to be charging capitation fee shall be liable for punitive action including withdrawal of approval under the Approval Process Hand Book.

- (f) All states have one National Institute of Technology (NIT).
- (g) & (h) No Madam, there is no proposal to open any engineering college in Dadra and Nagar Haveli under the Central Sector.

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