

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

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1285
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.05.2016**

JEE Rankings

1285. SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:

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

- (a) whether the Government has decided that class Twelfth marks would not be a factor for determining rankings in the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) for admission to engineering undergraduate courses; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

A N S W E R

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

(a) to (b): Yes, Madam. The following changes have been approved by the Chairperson of the IIT Council, in the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) pattern for 2017:-

- (i) There shall be no weightage for the 12th Class marks in calculating the ranks in the JEE (Main).
- (ii) For the candidates to qualify for admission in the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) / National Institutes of Technology (NITs) / Indian Institutes of Information Technology (IIITs) and such other Centrally Funded Technical Institutions (CFTIs) whose admissions are based on the JEE ranks, they should have secured at least 75% marks in the 12th Class, or be in the top 20 percentile in the 12th Class exam conducted by the respective Boards. For SC / ST students, the qualifying marks would be 65% in the 12th Class exam.

The decision has been taken as the marks distribution tends to be uneven across the Boards leading to difficulties in objective and consistent comparison.

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