

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 154
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.04.2016**

Hike in IIT Fee

154. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

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

- (a) whether the Standing Committee of Indian Institutes of Technology (IIT) Council has recommended steep hike in IIT fee in the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the proposed fee hike would affect the poor students adversely;
- (c) if so, whether the proposed hike has been opposed by various stakeholders;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the further steps taken by the Government to enable the institutes to grow and match global standards of research?

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

(a) : The Chairperson of IIT Council, after examining the report of the Committee on funding of IITs and the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the IIT Council (SCIC) for revision of tuition fee in IITs, approved revision of tuition fee in the IITs to Rs. 2.00 lakh a year from the academic year 2016-17, subject to the following for protecting the interests of the socially and economically backward students:

- (i) The SC/ST/PH students shall get complete fee waiver.
- (ii) The most economically backward students (whose family income is less than Rs. 1 lakh per annum) shall get full remission of the fee.

(iii) The other economically backward students (whose family income is between Rs. 1 lakh to Rs. 5 lakh per annum) shall get remission of 2/3rd of the fee.

(iv) All students shall have access to interest free loan under the Vidyalaxmi scheme for the total portion of the tuition fee payable.

(b) : No, Madam.

(c) & (d): Do not arise.

(e) : Uchhatar Avishakar Yojana and Impacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT) Programme are research initiatives introduced by the Government with a view to promoting innovation that directly impacts the needs of the Industries and aims at addressing and providing solutions to the most relevant engineering challenges faced by the nation respectively.
