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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 61 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.04.2016

IIT Students

61. SHRI DILIPKUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI:

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

- (a) whether the fees payable by students in the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) have been increased;
- (b) if so, the details and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the impact on the budgetary support of a capital and/or revenue nature required to be given to the IITs as a result of this; and
- (d) the cost incurred per IIT student by the Government?

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

- (a) to (c): Yes, Madam. The tuition fee in the IITs has been revised to Rs. 2.0 lakh a year from the academic year 2016-17, subject to the following for protecting the interest of the socially and economically backward students:
 - (i) The SC/ST/PH students shall get complete fee waiver.
 - (ii) Those students, whose family income is less than Rs. 1.0 lakh per annum, shall get full remission of the fee.
 - (iii) Those students, whose family income is between Rs. 1.0 lakh and Rs.
 5.0 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.

IITs have been requested to utilize funds accrued though the increased fee for the purpose of building good quality infrastructure, with the assistance of the Higher Education Funding Agency (HEFA).

(d): As per the Report of the Sub Committee of Council constituted in pursuance of the decision taken in the 49th IIT Council meeting, the estimated average expenditure on each student in IIT system is Rs. 5.2 lakh per year.