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

### LOK SABHA

# UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1317 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2016

### **Suicidal Tendency Among Students**

#### **1317. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that suicidal tendencies are increasing among the students passing out of technical educational institutes in the country particularly in the State of Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has investigated about the reasons behind such tendency among the students and if so, the outcome thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard

#### ANSWER

## MINISTER OF STATE FOR HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a) to (d): No Madam. As per the studies done by some IITs, the suicide rate in premier educational institutions is not higher than in the society at large.

However, this is a serious matter and Government is concerned about such incidents when they occur in the educational institutions, and is determined to prevent such incidents in future.

In order to deal with stress levels in the students, all IITs and Central Universities have been advised to establish counseling centres. To cope with academic stress, peer-assisted learning systems are set up in all premier educational institutions.