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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2370 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2016

Shortage of Medical and Engineering Colleges

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the students in many States have to go to other States for education as there is shortage of Government medical and engineering colleges in the country;
- (b) whether students are also forced to take admission in private colleges due to the shortage of Government colleges;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the fee of private colleges is very high and a big amount has to be paid for admission and if so, whether the Government is considering to open Government Medical and Engineering colleges in all the States/UTs including in Dadra and Nagar Haveli and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if so, the time by which these colleges are likely to be opened?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

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- (a) to (c): There is competition among students due to limited seats in government and reputed private institutions as compared to the number of applications in their respective states resulting in seeking admission by the students in private institutions in other states. Overall there is surplus capacity in the engineering sector with 8,44,328 seats remaining vacant in 2014-15.
- (d) & (e): In order to regulate the fee charged by private technical institutions, a National Fee Committee under the chairmanship of Justice B. N. Shrikrishna was constituted for fixing norms and guidelines for charging of tuition and development fees in case of professional courses. The Committee submitted its report recommending upper limits of fee that can be charged by the professional colleges, which shall not include capitation fee.

There is no proposal under consideration to open any engineering college in Dadra and Nagar Haveli under the Central Sector
