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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2422
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Vocational Training Courses

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

(a)   whether the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has decided to introduce vocational training courses in polytechnic across the country;

(b)   if so, the details thereof and the subjects decided to be offered for the said training courses in polytechnics;

(c)   whether the Government is aware that the subjects being included in vocational training courses by the AICTE are already being taught and are popular across the country;

(d)   if so, whether the AICTE has not consulted experts or invited any suggestions from across the country before selecting subjects for skill development purpose; and

(e)   if so, the reasons therefor along with reason for the non-inclusion cutting edge subjects like Internet of Things (IoT) in the same?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

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(a) & (b):   All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) is already running the following schemes of vocational training courses in AICTE's approved Colleges/Polytechnics.

(i)   Community College scheme (details of the scheme available on http://www.aicte-india.org/communitycolleges).

(ii)   Opening of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) by Polytechnics using their spare capacity for optimum utilization of resources and enhancing the capacity of training with minimum investment.

(iii)   Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) by Technical Institutions: The scheme is implemented through AICTE approved Engineering Colleges and polytechnics from the Academic Year 2016-17 to impart Engineering Skills to 10 lakhs youths in next three years. The subjects offered are based on the resources/labs/workshops available in the institutions.

(c) & (d):   Yes, Madam. The vocational courses taught in the AICTE's approved polytechnics are popular courses and also comply with National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF). All the courses are developed by the Sector Skill Council (SSCs), which have experts and industrial representatives from the respective sectors in designing the courses.

(e):   The course on Internet of Things (IoT) is not offered/proposed by any approved Institute of AICTE, due to non-availability of experts in their Institute and less Industry participation in the field of IoT.

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