

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3475
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2016**

IMPRINT

3475. DR. K. GOPAL:

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

- (a) whether Government/Ministries and Departments have entered into an agreement to collaborate for technology development covering various engineering disciplines with the institutes like the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and National Institutes of Technology (NITs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said initiative is part of the Impacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT) of the Government; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)**

- (a) to (d): Twenty five (25) Ministries/ Departments of Government of India have signed a Memorandum of Understanding on 31st March, 2016, on promoting research under Impacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT), a flagship initiative of the Government which aims at addressing and providing solutions to the most relevant engineering challenges faced by the nation. The domains identified for the focus of the IMPRINT Initiative are: (1) Health Care, (2) Energy, (3) Sustainable Habitat, (4) Nano Technology Hardware, (5) Water Resources and River Systems, (6) Advanced Materials, (7) Information and Communication Technology, (8) Manufacturing, (9) Security and Defence, and (10) Environmental Science and Climate Change. Each of these Domain areas is coordinated by an Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)/ Indian Institute of Science (IISc). IIT Kanpur is coordinating this effort.
