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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3573 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2016

Objectives of UAY

3573. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

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

- (a) the aims and objective of Uchchatar Avishkar Yojana (UAY) drive adopted by Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) in the country;
- (b) the extent to which the above drive helps in achieving the objectives under the Make in India programme;
- (c) whether it is true that some IITs are also facilitating Start up India and if so, the details of IITs that are facilitating the same, IIT-wise;
- (d) whether any IIT is working/helping people, particularly engineering graduates, under the Stand up India programme and if so, the details thereof, with a particular reference to Andhra Pradesh; and
- (e) the reasons that IIT in Andhra Pradesh is not involved in any of the above programmes/initiatives of the Government?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): The Uchchtar Avishkar Yojana (UAY) has been formulated to promote innovation-based, industry-sponsored research in the premier institutions like IITs. Under this, research projects of direct relevance to industry are funded jointly by Government and the industry. The projects are expected to improve the competitive edge of the Indian industry and thereby contribute to the 'Make in India' campaign.
- (c): Under the Start-up India initiative, (14) IITs have either started or in the process of starting Research Parks/ Technology Business Incubators/ Start Up centres. These are: IIT-Madras, IIT-Bombay, IIT-Kharagpur, IIT-Delhi, IIT-Kanpur, IIT-Guwahati, IIT-Roorkee, IIT-Gandhinagar, IIT-Patna, IIT-Mandi, IIT-Hyderabad, IIT-Bhubaneswar, IIT-Ropar and IIT-Indore.
- (d): Yes, Madam. IIT Madras have reported that under the Rural Technology and Business Incubator (RTBI) it is facilitating stand up India programme in the rural areas of the southern states of India.
- (e) : IIT-Tirupati is still in its early stages of establishment, and would be included in these initiatives as and when it is ready with suitable labs/accommodation for these initiatives.
