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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2016

Coaching Centres

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there is uncontrolled increase in the number of coaching centres in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether they are charging hefty amounts as course fee for the preparation of various competitive exams and deduct large amounts in case of discontinuation of coaching by students;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to consider a board to monitor them; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) to (e): Yes Madam. There are many complaints of increasing presence of coaching centres, although there are no accurate estimates of the business turnover of the coaching institutions. The Government does not consider this as a healthy trend and is committed to strengthen the school education system. Efforts are being made to make the education system and the entrance examinations related more to the class syllabus so as to reduce dependence of students on such coaching. The Government has also initiated the IIT-PAL initiative for promoting scientific thinking and conceptual understanding of the science and maths subjects of 11th and 12th standards, which can reduce dependence on the coaching institutions.
