

Need for establishment of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) at Silchar, Assam.-laid

SHRI PARIMAL SUKLABAIDYA (SILCHAR): I would like to know from the Minister of Education about the proposal or representation received by the Government for the establishment of an Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) at Silchar, Assam, considering its role as the educational hub of South Assam and neighbouring North-Eastern States and provide details thereof along with the present status of examination of the proposal. In this context, it is to be mentioned that the Barak Valley and adjoining States contribute a large number of JEE aspirants annually but due to lack of an IIT-level institution, the students of Assam migrate to other States for study. Hence, I request the Government to ensure establishment of premier technical institutions in the North-Eastern region, particularly in South Assam for balanced regional distribution of such institutions.