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The Union Cabinet on 24^{th} October 2017 approved a Rs. 7,002 crore plan for construction of permanent campuses for six new IITs, to be completed by 31^{st} March 2020. Each campus will have facility for housing 1,200 students, beginning from the academic year 2020-2021.

Currently, these institutions are functioning from temporary campuses with a total strength of 1,530 students. After construction of the campuses, this strength will go up to 7,200.

The Hon'ble Finance Minister in his Budget Speech 2014-15 had announced establishment of five new IITs in Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Jammu & Kashmir, Goa and Chhattisgarh. Further, in the Budget Speech 2015-16, establishment of an IIT in Karnataka was announced.

In pursuance to the Budget announcements, the academic sessions in IITs at Tirupati and Palakkad started in 2015-16 and in IITs at Dharwad, Bhilai, Jammu and Goa in 2016-17, from their respective temporary campuses.

Background

The Detailed Project Report (DPR) for construction of the permanent campuses was prepared by a team from Mentor Institutes of these IITs, according to which Rs. 20304.88 cr. were solicited for construction of the permanent campuses over a period of 7 years.

After consultation with NITI Aayog, DST, DSIR, MEITY and D/o Expenditure, this proposal was considered by EFC in its meeting held on 17-7-2017. The EFC recommended **Phase-A** of the proposal at an outlay of Rs. 7002.42 cr. for 3 years beginning 2017-18 as per the below break-up:

(Rs. in cr.)

Year	Civil Works	Recurring	Equipment/ furniture	Total
2017- 18	958.75	120.42	1.53	1080.70
2018- 19	2033.98	178.20	560.70	2772.88
2019- 20	2158.89	286.44	703.51	3148.84
Total	5151.62	585.06	1265.74	7002.42

The EFC also gave in-principle approval for the **Phase-B** at a cost of Rs. 13306.46 cr. over a period of 4 years beginning 2020-21. Approval for Phase-B will be taken up after reviewing the progress under Phase-A. The funds remaining unspent out of those approved for temporary campuses will be subsumed in the cost of Phase-A.

Accordingly, approval of the Cabinet was sought for:

- Establishment of permanent campuses of the six IITs at a total cost of Rs.7002.42 cr. over a period of 3 years from 2017-18 to 2019-20 under Phase-A.
- · Creation of the post of Director and Registrar in each of these IITs in line with the Institutes of Technology Act, 1961.

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