

**Ministry of Human Resource Development**  
**Department of Higher Education**

**Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during August, 2016.**

- (i) Hon'ble HRM, MHRD inaugurated IIT-Jammu on 06.08.2016, IIT Bhilai on 7.8.2016 and IIT-Dharwad on 28.08.2016..
- (ii) Beta ( $\beta$ ) version of SWAYAM Portal (developed by Microsoft) was launched on 15.08.2016 in AICTE.
- (iii) Under the scheme of Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) in Higher Education more than 200 courses have been organized and approval for a total number of 736 courses have been given by the GIAN Implementation Committee by the end of August, 2016.