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Unnat Bharat Programme 2.0 covers 750 Higher Educational Institutes

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The Government has recently launched Unnat Bharat Abhiyan 2.0, which is the phase-2 of scheme. It covers 750 Higher Educational Institutes.

Unnat Bharat Abhiyan aims to link the Higher Education Institutions with atleast (5) villages, so that these institutions can contribute to the economic and social betterment of these village communities using their knowledge base. Unnat Bharat Abhiyan is inspired by the vision of transformational change in rural development processes by leveraging knowledge institutions to help build the architecture of an Inclusive India. It also aims to create a virtuous cycle between the society and an inclusive university system, with the latter providing knowledge base; practices for emerging livelihoods and to upgrade the capabilities of both the public and private sectors

Objective of the scheme are (i) To engage the faculty and students of Higher Educational Institutions in understanding rural realities; (ii) Identify and select existing innovative technologies, enable customization of technologies, or devise implementation methods for innovative solutions, as required by people; and (iii) To allow Higher Educational Institutions to contribute to devising systems for smooth implementation of various Government Programs.

Currently 688 Institutes covering 33 States/UT's are participating under the scheme.

The time frame for UBA 2.0 implementation is as provided below:-

Year	Total Institutes to be selected
2017-2018	750
2018-2019	3000
2019-2020	4500

The details of Higher Educational Institutes and the villages adopted may be seen below:-

S.No.	Type of Institutes	Number of Institute	Number of villages adopted by PIs
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1	Technical Institutes	426	2192
2	Non-technical Institutes	262	1363
	Total (Tech. + Non Tech.)	688	3555

Further details regarding Participating Institutes are available in the website of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan and may also be explored from following link:-

http://unnat.iitd.ac.in/index.php/Progress/progress_pi

This information was given by the Minister of State (HRD), Dr. Satya Pal Singh today in a written reply to a Rajya Sabha question.

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