

Centralised placement cell for engg grads in city soon

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Jaipur: Finally, the government has attempted to address the problem of unemployment among the engineering grads. State is coming up with a centralized placement cell for coordinating placement of students enrolled in colleges affiliated with the Rajasthan Technical University (RTU) and Bikaner Technical University (BTU). The centre will come up in Jaipur. The centre will function under the aegis of RTU which will borne all the expenses.

The centre has started collecting the database of all eligible students along with the prospective employees and companies. "This is first of its kind initiative in the state. The aim of creating the pool of talented students and eligible companies is to generate maximum employment. The absence of a centralized centre has attributed to the collapse of the technical education in the state," said Rajesh Singhal, centre coordinator and a professor of



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Geology, RTU.

The database will be shared to the colleges and the companies who can approach each other for hiring. The centre will also felicitate and organised job fairs for the registered students which will help the students from the far off areas like Banswara, Hanumangarh or Jaisalmer where companies don't venture out for hiring due to distance,' said Singhal. The poor placements have taken away the sheen of engineering colleges in the state. Off 50,000 seats it barely able to fill 12,000 seats.

It left several colleges closed down.

Since the industrial training has become compulsory for the engineering college students, several colleges has been expressing that they are finding it difficult to approach the industries. The centre will also form the branch wise data of students to felicitate the trainings and internships. "The centre will also act as the examination evaluation cell of the RTU. It can be used for setting up question paper, distribution of question papers and evaluation of answer sheers.

The coming up of centralized placement cell has sparked confusion among the students and political circles of Kota. Students staged protest under the impression that entrepreneurship development cell (EDC) in the RTU is being shifted to Jaipur. Clarifying the move, coordinator of the central placement cell, Rajesh Singhal said, "EDC will remain in the Kota and government has no plan to shift it anywhere."