

PRESS BRIEF

It is widely circulated in media that IIT-Delhi Director has resigned resisting government pressure. MHRD's rejoinder is following:

1. There is neither any request from Sachin Tendulkar for the ground of IIT for running a Cricket Academy nor any instruction from MHRD to provide the same.
2. MHRD has neither forwarded Mr.Swamy's request to IIT-Delhi nor given any direction to make payment of arrears to Mr.Swamy. Views of DoPT and Finance Ministry have been sought on the matter.
3. Chairman, IIT-Delhi has forwarded Director's resignation letter on 26th December evening for Appointing Authority's decision following due process. Resignation can only be accepted by the Appointing Authority. It will have to go to the President for his approval as the Visitor of IIT-Delhi.
4. The news item reported is factually inaccurate and incorrect and unnecessarily drags the Ministry into issues where no direction has been issued by the Ministry.