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Internationalisation is central to academic success in 21st century. In this context, evaluate the steps taken by Govt to create globally competitive higher educational Institutions in India and discuss the challenges therein.

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### GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES

#### 1) IMPRSNTR INDIA:

It is an joint Initiative of IIT and IISc. Aims to direct research and development into areas of social relevance

#### 2) GIANT (Global Initiative for Academic Network)

It is launched to attract the best foreign academics to Indian universities of Excellence.

#### 3) NIRF (National Institutional Ranking Framework)

It evaluates each higher education Institution and brings in more confidence in Institution for participating in world rankings.

#### 4) SWAYAM

It is a web portal where massive open on-line courses (MOOCs) will be available on all kinds of subjects up to the ~~level~~ level.

#### 5) Saaksham Scholarship Scheme:

It is being implemented by AICTE to provide support to differently abled

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Students to peruse technical education

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6) Unnat Bharat Abhiyan:

Connecting higher education and  
Society to enable technology and its use for  
development of rural areas.

#### CHALLENGES:

- 1) The expansion in quantity of Institutions  
is at the cost of quality of educations.
- 2) Extreme facility shortage, deficiencies in  
library books, laboratories, classrooms and  
building etc..
- 3) Many faculty positions are filled by  
under qualified "temporary" recruits.

For higher education to bear fruit it  
have to be supported by strengthening  
primary education. Government and Bureaucra-  
cies ~~will~~ will have to freeup Institutions to  
allow them to make their own decision.