

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2912
ANSWERED ON 17/12/2025**

STATE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (S&T) COUNCILS

2912. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of **SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details regarding the total number of State Science and Technology (S&T) Councils supported under State Science & Technology Programme, State-wise particularly in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the details regarding the amount of grants allocated and released to States under this programme, State and year-wise since the scheme's inception;
- (c) the details of total number of SC/ST Cells supported under this programme, State and district-wise particularly for Andhra Pradesh, especially in Prakasam District;
- (d) the details of total number of students supported under the Student Project Programme of the said programme, State and year-wise during the last five years; and
- (e) the details of the projects supported under the scheme along with the financial assistance sanctioned and disbursed, State and year-wise during the last five years?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)**

(a) The Department of Science and Technology (DST), under its State Science and Technology Programme (SSTP), nurtures Centre-State Science and Technology (S&T) cooperation through support to S&T Secretariat of State/Union Territory (UT) Science & Technology Councils. The list of currently supported 27 State S&T Councils is given in the table below:

S. No.	Name of State/UT	Name of S&T Council
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Andhra Pradesh State Council for Science & Technology
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	Arunachal Pradesh State Council for Science & Technology

S. No.	Name of State/UT	Name of S&T Council
3.	Assam	Assam Science Technology & Environment Council
4.	Bihar	Bihar State Science and Technology Council
5.	Chhattisgarh	Chhattisgarh Council of Science & Technology
6.	Goa	Goa State Council of Science & Technology
7.	Gujarat	Gujarat Council on Science and Technology
8.	Haryana	Haryana State Council for Science & Technology
9.	Himachal Pradesh	State Council for Science & Technology and Environment, Himachal Pradesh
10.	Karnataka	Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology
11.	Kerala	Kerala State Council for Science, Technology & Environment
12.	Maharashtra	Rajiv Gandhi Science & Technology Commission
13.	Madhya Pradesh	Madhya Pradesh Council of Science & Technology
14.	Manipur	Manipur Science & Technology Council
15.	Meghalaya	State Council for Science & Technology and Environment, Meghalaya
16.	Mizoram	Mizoram Science, Technology and Innovation Council
17.	Nagaland	Nagaland State Science and Technology Council
18.	Punjab	Punjab State Council for Science and Technology
19.	Rajasthan	Rajasthan Council of Science & Technology
20.	Sikkim	Sikkim State Council of Science & Technology
21.	Tamil Nadu	Tamil Nadu State Council for Science & Technology
22.	Telangana	Telangana State Council of Science & Technology

S. No.	Name of State/UT	Name of S&T Council
23.	Tripura	Tripura State Council for Science & Technology
24.	Uttar Pradesh	Council of Science and Technology, Uttar Pradesh
25.	Uttarakhand	Uttarakhand State Council for Science & Technology
26.	West Bengal	West Bengal State Council for Science & Technology
27.	Puducherry	Puducherry Council for Science and Technology

(b) The details of funds sanctioned and released to S&T Councils towards assistance to their S&T Secretariat under SSTP since financial year 2016-17 is given at Annexure.

(c) The Department has established Scheduled Caste (SC)/Scheduled Tribe (ST) Cells at 11 State S&T Councils under the Scheduled Caste Sub Plan/Tribal Sub Plan of the Science for Equity Empowerment and Development (SEED) Division, DST for systemic mapping of livelihood system of SC/ST Communities. There is no SC/ST cell at Andhra Pradesh State Council for Science & Technology. List of supported SC/ST Cells is given as below:

- 1. Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology**
- 2. Kerala State Council for Science Technology and Environment**
- 3. Punjab State Council for Science & Technology**
- 4. Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology**
- 5. Telangana State Council of Science & Technology**
- 6. West Bengal State Council of Science & Technology**
- 7. Tripura State Council for Science & Technology**
- 8. Arunachal Pradesh State Council for Science and Technology**
- 9. Mizoram Science, Technology & Innovation Council**
- 10. Sikkim State Council of Science & Technology**
- 11. Uttarakhand State Council for Science and Technology**

(d) to (e): During the last five years, an amount of Rs. 41.90 Lakhs was released (financial year 2022-23) to Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology under SSTP to implement the Student Project Programme. Across this period (2020-21 to 2024-25), 26,038 students in Karnataka were supported, distributed as follows: 4,413 in 2020-21, 4,515 in 2021-22, 5,519 in 2022-23, 5,453 in 2023-24, and 6,138 in 2024-25.

Sanctioned and released amount to S&T Councils towards assistance to their S&T Secretariat**(In Rs Lakhs)**

S. No.	Name of State/UT	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Total
1	Arunachal Pradesh State Council for Science & Technology	184.96	126.76	139.44	102.51	102.51	108.51	106.51	105.01	Nil	976.21
2	Assam Science Technology & Environment Council	200.92	152.72	116.65	183.35	183.35	183.35	139.26	139.76	Nil	1,299.36
3	Andhra Pradesh State Council of Science and Technology	Nil	43.55	47.91	49.03	37.44	Nil	48.93	52.43	Nil	279.29
4	Bihar Council on Science & Technology	43.00	42.00	33.13	51.82	Nil	5.18	30.09	28.09	Nil	233.31
5	Chhattisgarh Council of Science & Technology	134.22	106.02	111.80	122.11	121.12	123.12	127.12	125.59	157.20	1,128.30
6	Goa State Council for Science & Technology	76.84	69.64	59.54	84.65	82.65	84.65	88.65	87.15	Nil	633.77
7	Gujarat Council on Science and Technology	125.20	67.00	72.67	81.52	81.52	81.52	87.52	84.02	106.90	787.87
8	Haryana State Council for Science & Technology	56.53	34.27	23.41	35.72	23.49	27.15	28.72	Nil	Nil	229.29
9	Himachal Pradesh State Council for Science, Technology & Environment	165.12	104.72	99.77	118.73	117.54	34.01	91.49	90.5	Nil	821.88
10	Karnataka State Council for Science & Technology	185.20	127.00	138.09	150.80	152.8	150.8	156.8	155.3	193.50	1,410.29

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11	Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment	Nil	188.00	191.69	97.67	108.12	106.72	116.12	112.41	Nil	920.73
12	Rajiv Gandhi Science & Technology Commission, Maharashtra	94.80	37.80	1.00	45.80	35.00	45.00	49.00	43.05	Nil	351.45
13	Madhya Pradesh Council of Science & Technology, Madhya Pradesh	208.55	150.35	165.39	180.54	180.54	178.54	184.54	183.04	Nil	1,431.49
14	Manipur Science & Technology Council	145.94	111.14	106.21	137.52	135.52	137.52	141.4	140.02	176.90	1,232.17
15	State Council of Science, Technology, and Environment, Meghalaya	53.80	32.72	10.16	40.64	30.24	30.67	36.39	34.89	Nil	269.51
16	Mizoram Science, Technology & Innovation Council	115.20	83.00	91.30	100.52	100.52	100.52	104.52	86.56	115.34	897.48
17	Nagaland Science and Technology Council	136.20	77.97	85.71	94.58	94.58	94.58	98.58	97.08	Nil	779.28
18	Punjab State Council for Science & Technology	233.76	150.56	194.22	165.60	163.6	141.96	169.6	168.1	Nil	1,387.40
19	Rajasthan Council of Science & Technology	156.00	156.00	171.60	187.25	137.04	Nil	Nil	185.25	Nil	993.14
20	Sikkim State Council of Science and Technology	135.80	86.46	47.69	104.63	78.24	82.76	88.76	87.21	Nil	711.55

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21	Tamil Nadu State Council for Science & Technology	136.88	104.72	115.19	69.03	72.87	88	94	92.5	106.24	879.43
22	Telangana State Council of Science & Technology	131.20	31.45	21.18	39.28	Nil	Nil	11.32	4.5	57.14	296.07
23	Tripura State Council for Science & Technology	63.00	62.00	67.20	75.58	73.58	75.58	79.38	82.08	Nil	578.40
24	Council of Science & Technology, Uttar Pradesh	150.20	Nil	165.22	130.36	44.28	87.27	90.26	90.76	Nil	758.35
25	Uttarakhand State Council for Science & Technology	147.80	95.00	104.50	114.77	112.78	104.15	118.78	116.68	Nil	914.46
26	West Bengal State Council of Science and Technology	90.20	32.00	0.00	39.94	Nil	13.2	23.96	21.3	Nil	220.6
27	Puducherry State Council for Science & Technology	21.67	11.50	9.85	25.92	23.92	23.2	24.37	Nil	Nil	140.43
28	Andaman and Nicobar Science & Technology Council	55.40	20.20	22.22	12.88	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	110.7
Grand Total		3248.39	2304.55	2412.74	2642.75	2293.25	2107.96	2336.07	2413.28	913.22	20672.21
