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TECHNOLOGY PARKS IN ASSAM
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposals for setting up Technology Parks in Assam and other States in the North Eastern Region have been submitted for clearance during 2004-05 & 2005-06;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the decision taken by the Union Government on the proposals?

Answer

MINISTER OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (c): Software Technology Parks of India (STPI), an autonomous society under Department of Information Technology, has established its centers at Guwahati (Assam), Imphal (Manipur) and Gangtok (Sikkim). Proposals for setting up STPI Centres at Shillong (Meghalaya) and Agartala (Tripura) have also been approved. On receipt of the contributions from the concerned State Governments, STPI will take further necessary action for setting up these centres.

The Department of Science and Technology has sanctioned two projects for setting up Women Technology Parks (WTP) at Arunachal University, Itanagar and Tamulpur Anchalik Gramdan Sangh, Nalbari, Assam. In addition, the Department has also recommended a proposal for establishment of Science and Technology Entrepreneurs Park (STEP) at Guwahati submitted by North Eastern Development Finance Corporation Ltd. (NEDFCL).