GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:286
ANSWERED ON:09.12.2009
PROMOTION OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to encourage and promote research on science and technology in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the measures taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) the funds allocated for scientific research and development institutes in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise and year-wise;
- (d) whether the Union Government has received any representations from various State Governments to raise the allocation of funds for scientific research and development in the States; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT AS REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 286 FOR 09.12.2009 REGARDING "PROMOTION OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT"

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Government has taken a number of steps to rejuvenate and promote scientific research in the country. The Plan Allocation of scientific departments has been trebled from about Rs. 25301.35 crore in the X Plan to about Rs. 75304.00 crores in the XI Plan. It clearly demonstrates the commitment of the Government to encourage and promote research on science and technology in the country. Several policy reforms, setting up of autonomous research institutions and research facilities in emerging and frontline areas, fiscal incentives and support measures to encourage investment on Research and Development in industry, innovative funding mechanisms, human resource development etc. have been instrumental in the overall development of science and technology. The Government has launched new initiatives like Innovation for Science Pursuit for Inspired Research (INSPIRE), Nano Mission, Mega Facilities, Open source drug discovery, Network Projects, National Biotechnology Development Strategy, etc. in the XI Plan period for stepping up Research and Development activities in various fields of Science and Technology.
- (c) The allocation of funds for scientific research and development for various institutes in the country under the Ministry of Science and Technology during the last three years and the current year, State-wise and year-wise; is given below:-

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(Rs. in crores)

S1. States / UT 2006-07 2007-08 2008-09 2009-10 No.

1. ANDHRA PRADESH 241.1 288.5 311.7 289.7 2. ASSAM 23.4 28.9 38.5 45.6 3. CHANDIGARH 55.2 57.2 90.7 80.9 4. DELHI 197.8 199.5 371.7 302.7 5. GOA 47.5 98.8 103.2 54.6 6. GUJARAT 20.9 23.4 40.3 31.3 7 HARYANA 14.0 17.1 53.0 48.0 8. HIMACHAL PRADESH 16.5 23.6 28.8 22.2 9. JAMMU & KASHMIR 27.5 35.3 39.8 40.8 10. JHAARKHAND 81.2 86.7 131.8 113.3 11. KARNATAKA 225.1 284.8 333 344.6
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12. KERALA 102.2 102.5 134.9 124.3

- 13. MADHYA PRADESH 9.6 11.8 19.7 16.9

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 14. MAHARASHTRA 158.2 171.1 209.2 192.1
 15. MANIPUR 3.0 4.0 0.1 0.1
 16. ORISSA 41.5 38.5 54.5 58.5
 17. RAJASTHAN 28.2 27.1 43.6 43.3
 18. TAMIL NADU 83.7 100.5 134.2 126
 19. UTTAR PRADESH 135.9 243.9 234.3 243.9
 20. UTTARAKHAND 74.2 83.1 136 120.4
 21. WEST BENGAL 209.7 216.4 271.1 281.9

- (d) No, Madam.
- (e) Does not arise.