

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SPACE
LOK SABHA**

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Satcom Policy
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Satellite Communication (SATCOM) Policy authorises the use of INSAT satellites by the non-government sector;
- (b) if so, the list of non-government sector who operate private communication satellites;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to enable the use of INSAT satellites by the non-government sectors; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) Yes Madam.
- (b) No Indian private entities own and operate a private communication satellite. However, a large number of private / non-government users use INSAT satellites for broadcasting and interactive services.
- (c) Yes Madam.
- (d) A large number of private / non-government users in Direct to Home (DTH), Television uplink, Digital Satellite News Gathering (DSNG), Very Small Aperture Terminals (VSAT) sectors are using INSAT/GSAT satellites for providing services.
