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Title: Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 133rd Report of Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests pertaining to Department of Science and Technology.

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12.04 ½ hrs.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): Sir, I beg to lay the Statement on the Table of the House.

*I am making this Statement on the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the One Hundred Thirty Third (133rd) Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee (PSC) on Science & Technology, Environment & Forests on the direction of the Hon'ble Chairman, Rajya Sabha, in pursuance of the provisions of Rule 266 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Council of States issued vide Rajya Sabha Bulletin-Part II dated September 28, 2004.

The Standing Committee on Science & Technology, Environment & Forests presented their One Hundred Thirty Third (133rd) Report on the Action Taken by the Department of Science and Technology on the recommendations contained in the One Hundred twenty fifth (125th) report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2004-05) in this regard to the Rajya Sabha on 17th August, 2004 and the same was laid in the Lok Sabha on 17th August, 2004. In all there were 10 (ten) recommendations in the 125th Report of the Committee. These were in the field of Seismology – Upgradation of national capacity for damage control; Drugs and Pharmaceuticals – utilizing the traditional and non-traditional medicines for finding treatment for common diseases; Upgrading the

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infrastructure of Aryabhata Research Institute for Observational Sciences; Mission Mode Programme to unravel the phenomenon of monsoon and accurate forecasting of monsoon; developing cost-effective instruments for medical treatment; popularisation of science and technology; special incentives and opportunities for women in science and technology. All the ten recommendations of the Committee have been considered in the Department of Science and Technology. Action taken on these recommendations was reported to the Committee. Comments of the Committee on these reports have also been implemented. The present status of implementation is detailed in the appended Annexure.

MR. SPEAKER: I hope, these are read by hon. Members [\[R1\]](#) .

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA (BANKURA): These are not circulated to us, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER: Now it will be available to you. It cannot be circulated before it is made.

Item No. 15, Shri E. Ahamed.

12.05 hrs.