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Title: The Minister of State in the Ministry of Science and Technology and Minister of State in the Ministry of Earth Sciences laid a statement regarding status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 273rd Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on the Demands for Grants (2015-16), pertaining to the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology.

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY):** Madam, I beg to lay a statement regarding the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 273rd Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2015- 16), pertaining to the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology.