

by Antrix Corporation Limited, the commercial arm of Department of Space.

(b) Antrix Corporation Limited has been generating commercial income. The details for the last five financial years are given below:

(₹ in crores)

| Financial Year | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 | 2014-15 (un-audited) |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------------------|
| Turnover | 1113.58 | 1180.60 | 1295.28 | 1608.72 | 1860.71 |
| Net Profit | 138.86 | 170.98 | 177.07 | 200.50 | 205.10 |
| Dividend | 27.78 | 34.20 | 35.42 | 40.10 | 41.12 |
| Net Worth | 670.15 | 801.39 | 937.02 | 1087.35 | 1238.46 |

Satellite to support farmers

2044. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any satellite-enabled services are used to support farmers in India, if so, the details thereof;

(b) if so, how much fund is allocated and spent for such services for the last five years; and

(c) if not, whether Government has any plan to use satellite enabled services to support farmers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH): (a) The satellite-enabled services to support farmers in India include weather forecasting, agro-advisory, agromet services, soil moisture and agricultural extension activities to support farming operations in the country by India Meteorology Department (IMD), Ministry of Earth Sciences. These services are provided by using satellite as well as ground based data.

Further, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has demonstrated the concept of Village Resource Centres (VRC) jointly with State Governments and Non-Governmental Organisations for providing integrated space technology based services for development of rural areas related to tele-healthcare, tele-education, natural resources information, advisories related to agriculture career guidance to rural students, skill development and vocational training etc.

(b) The satellite-enabled services to support farmers are integral part of an

overarching plan to design and deploy various satellite based services to meet the developmental needs of the country and no separate funds are allocated or spent exclusively for satellite-enabled services to support farmers.

- (c) Does not arise.

Commissioning of stalled infrastructure projects

2045. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to commission 47 per cent of the 258 stalled major central infrastructure projects in the current financial year, if so, the details of the projects in different sector; and

- (b) by when these projects would be completed without time overrun?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION [GENERAL (RETD.) V.K. SINGH]: (a) and (b) Government through the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation monitors on-going Central Sector Infrastructure Projects costing ₹ 150 crore and above on time and cost overruns on the basis of information furnished by the project implementing agencies.

As on 01.06.2015, 766 projects were on the monitor of this Ministry. Of these, 237 projects were reporting time overruns with respect to their original project implementation schedules. Details are given in Statement-I (*See below*).

174 projects are due for commissioning in the current financial year 2015-16 against their original/revised/anticipated dates of completion. Of these, 2 projects are due for commissioning ahead of schedule, 23 are due for commissioning on schedule and 149 are due for commissioning with time overruns. Details are given in Statement-II, III and IV respectively.