82 Written Answers to [RAJ

[RAJYA SABHA]

Starred Questions

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
8.	Sikkim	1	9.31	1	7.77	0	0
	Total	41	585.68	41	614.53	42	841.65
(vi) Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS):							
1.	Assam	16	88.92	15	94.01	14	88.98
2.	Manipur	30	284.38	37	270.91	37	448.30
3.	Meghalaya	6	45.86	7	65.16	4	23.21
4.	Mizoram	2	11.25	2	7.38	2	9.44
5.	Nagaland	1	0.41	0	0	0	0.00
6.	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
7.	Tripura	1	1	4	12.09	1	2.84
	Total	56	431.82	65	449.55	58	572.76

No NGOs in other North Eastern States have been granted any GIA under the Scheme. *No proposal has been received from Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Sikkim.

ISRO's share in global launch market

*244. SHRI JOSE K. MANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether ISRO currently holds just 0.6 per cent of the global satellite launch market despite its highly successful performance in launching of rockets;

(b) whether till today ISRO has launched more than 230 foreign satellites of 28 countries and whether out of the 43 launches till now since 1993, only 3 launches failed with a success rate of 94 per cent;

(c) whether in September, 2018, ISRO would launch a PSLV rocket solely for foreign satellites?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH): (a) ISRO has been launching national satellites meant for meeting the earth observation, communication and navigational requirements of the country to cater to various societal needs. The spare capacity available in these missions are being utilized for launching satellites of other countries on commercial basis through Antrix corporation limited, the commercial arm of ISRO. Over the years there has been increase in the number of international satellites that have been launched as co-passengers to the national missions. In the last four years more than 200 foreign customer satellites have been launched. Considering the future launch demand for increased number of nano and small satellites, there are plans to increase the number of PSLV launches and also develop dedicated small launcher to cater to this high market demand.

(b) As on date, 237 foreign satellites belonging to international customers from 29 countries have been successfully launched using PSLV.

Starting from 1993 till date, PSLV has completed 43 launches, of which 2 launches failed. Overall success rate of PSLV has been 95%.

(c) Yes Sir.

Selling of infrastructure projects to power companies

*245. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to sell successfully running public sector infrastructure projects such as power and steel plants to power companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government has made any detailed consultations regarding this proposal with all CPSEs and if so, the response of those CPSEs thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (RAO INDERJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) In light of (a) and (b) the question does not arise.

Privatisation of Hindustan Newsprint Limited, Kerala

*246. SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to privatise the Hindustan Newsprint Limited (HNL), Veloor, Kottayam, Kerala;

(b) whether Government has received a request from the State Government of Kerala expressing their willingness to take over the HNL; and

(c) if so, whether Government has taken any decisions in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI ANANT GEETE): (a) Yes, Sir. Government has given 'in principle' approval for strategic disinvestment of 100% shareholding of Hindustan Paper Corporation Limited (HPC), a wholly owned Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE) of Government of India Company, in Hindustan Newsprint Limited (HNL) to a strategic buyer to be identified through a two stage auction process.