

Impact Assessment Survey of schemes

3762. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to conduct an Impact Assessment Survey of various Government schemes;
- (b) if so, the details of schemes that are proposed to be surveyed; and
- (c) whether any such exercise was done earlier and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (RAO INDERJIT SINGH): (a) to (c) The Ministries/Departments of the Government of India conduct evaluation of the schemes/programmes under their implementation. In States, the State Evaluation Offices conduct evaluations of prominent schemes/programmes implemented by them. DMEO, NITI Aayog conducts concurrent evaluations of the selected programmes/schemes. The impact evaluation of schemes is an ongoing exercise and respective Ministries/Departments conducts these studies, depending on the life cycle of the schemes and its stage of implementation.

Startups processing technical capabilities

3763. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of startups in the country have developed required technology to launch satellites and build rockets and related support systems using electric or cleaner fuel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the total number of such startups possessing technical capabilities;
- (c) whether ISRO has any plan to involve these startups in its own programme to give a push to its space programme planned for future; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH): (a) No, Sir. As on date, there are no start-ups in the country who have developed required technology to launch satellites and build rockets and related support systems using electric or cleaner fuel.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) ISRO has plans to involve start-ups in its own space programme in future.

(d) ISRO has plans to involve and engage start-ups for its space programme through nation's ARISE programme under the ATAL INNOVATION MISSION. In addition, ISRO is also establishing its own Space Technology Incubation Centres at various locations at academic institutes to promote start-ups and young entrepreneurs to contribute to the space programme.

Launch of satellite made by students

3764. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Technology Congress Association (ITCA) has planned to launch 75 satellites built by students marking 75th Anniversary of Independence of the country;

(b) if so, the details of the project and the extent of ISRO's association with the venture;

(c) whether Indian students are far behind many countries in launching of satellites since only nine satellites have so far been launched whereas the number of satellites launched in other countries exceeds 3,500; and

(d) the approximate cost of satellites proposed to be launched and from where the funds are likely to be generated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH): (a) Department of Space/ISRO does not have any information on the subject.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) ISRO has already launched ten student satellites till date. ISRO is aggressively encouraging universities and colleges to build student satellites.

Slow progress of works sanctioned under MPLADS

3765. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that there is very slow progress in sanctioning and execution of MPLADS works in certain States;