2222 SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the process through which the JC Bose Fellows are selected for each term and the reasons for rejection by the Secretary, Science and Engineer Research Board;
(b) whether the rejected scientists were informed of the reason for the same;
(c) the duration of each member of the Selection Committee; and
(d) the frequency of changes in the JC Bose Selection Committee in the past and names of the previous members of the committee?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) The Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), a Statutory body of the Department of Science and Technology selects JC Bose Fellows based on the recommendations of a Search-cum-Selection Committee specifically constituted for the purpose. The process of selection of Fellows involves following steps:

i. Preliminary scrutiny of the nominations to examine fulfilment of general guidelines of the fellowship, and
ii. Scientific and Technical evaluation by the Search-cum-Selection Committee.

The Search-cum-Selection Committee deliberates each nomination in detail and considers several parameters including the research carried out by the nominees during the last 5 years, and the recognitions received based on their work for taking a decision. SERB selects or rejects nominations based on the recommendations of the Search-cum-Selection Committee.

(b) The decision of the Search-cum-Selection Committee along with the reasons for rejection is informed to the concerned scientist.

(c) & (d) The duration of the Search-cum-Selection Committee, the frequency of changes along with the names of the members since inception of the JC Bose Fellowship Scheme are given below:
Period: 2006-2015
(i). Prof. CNR Rao, JNCASR, Bangalore - Chairman
(ii). Prof. P. Rama Rao, ARCI, Hyderabad.
(iii). Secretary, DST
(iv). Secretary, DBT

Period: 2015-2016
(i). Prof. R. Narasimha, JNCASR, Bangalore - Chairman
(ii). Prof. M. K. Bhan, New Delhi
(iii). Dr. T. Ramasami, Chennai
(iv). Prof. Ajay Sood, IISc, Bangalore
(v). Secretary, DST
(vi). Secretary, DBT
(vii). Secretary, SERB

Period: 2016-2018
(i). Prof. R. Narasimha, JNCASR, Bangalore - Chairman
(ii). Prof. M. K. Bhan, New Delhi
(iii). Prof. Ajay Sood, IISc, Bangalore
(iv). Prof. S. Chandrasekaran, IISc, Bangalore
(v). Prof. Kalyan Sinha, JNCASR, Bangalore
(vi). Secretary, DST
(vii). Secretary, DBT
(viii). Secretary, SERB

Period: 2018-2021
(i). Prof. A.K. Sood, IISc, Bangalore - Chairman
(ii). Prof. S. Sivaram, IISER, Pune
(iii). Prof. M.R.S. Rao, JNCASR, Bangalore
(iv). Prof. R. Balasubramanian, IMS, Chennai
(v). Prof. M.L. Munjal, IISc, Bangalore
(vi). Secretary, DST
(vii). Secretary, DBT
(viii). Secretary, SERB

Period: 2021-2024
(i). Prof. S. Sivaram, IISER, Pune - Chairman
(ii). Prof. Seyed Ehtesham Hasnain, IIT Delhi
(iii). Prof. R. Balasubramanian, IMS, Chennai
(iv). Prof. Devang V. Khakhari, IIT Bombay, Mumbai
(v). Prof. C.J. Jog, IISc, Bangalore
(vi). Secretary, DST
(vii). Secretary, DBT
(viii). Secretary, SERB

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