

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

**RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2226**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2021

**AGREEMENT WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES TO LAUNCH SATELLITE**

2226. MS. SAROJ PANDEY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of countries with which the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has made agreements to launch their satellites into the space;
- (b) the revenue which is expected to be earned through this; and
- (c) the total number of satellites, indigenous and foreign, that have been put into the Earth's Orbit?

**ANSWER**

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(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) through its commercial arm, NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), a Govt. of India company under Department of Space (DOS), has been launching satellites belonging to other countries on-board Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV), on a commercial basis.

NSIL as on date has signed six Launch Service Agreements with customers from four countries for launching foreign satellites into space on-board PSLV during 2021-2023.

- (b) Foreign Exchange revenue of approx. 132 Million Euros would be earned through launching of these foreign satellites on a commercial basis.
- (c) A total number of 124 indigenous satellites have been put into Earth's orbit including 12 student satellites. The total number of foreign satellites that have been put into Earth's orbit is 342 satellites (for 34 countries) by indigenous launch vehicle

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