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ESTABLISHMENT OF AIM, ATLS AND AICS IN THE UNIVERSITIES

1436 # Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:

Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to establish Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLS) and Atal Incubation Centres (AICs) in Universities and other institutes to attract the students towards technology at school level; and
- (b) if so, the details of the beneficiaries of the same, State-wise, and particularly in the districts of Dausa, Karauli and Sawai Madhopur till date?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) Yes Sir. The Government of India is encouraging the schools to provide exposure of science and technology to students so that they can be exposed with futuristic technology platforms. Government has setup the Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) at NITI Aayog with the objective of developing new programmes and policies for fostering innovation in different sectors of the economy, provide platforms and collaboration opportunities for different stakeholders, and create an umbrella structure to oversee the innovation & entrepreneurship ecosystem of the country. In Schools, AIM facilitates to set up network of Atal Tinkering Laboratories (ATLS) with a vision to 'Cultivate 1 million children in India as Neoteric Innovators'. The objective of this scheme is to foster curiosity, creativity and imagination in young minds and inculcate skills such as design mind-set, computational thinking, adaptive learning, physical computing, rapid calculations, measurements etc. Till date, AIM

has funded 9,606 schools in 720+ districts of the country for the establishment of ATLS.

To create an ever-evolving ecosystem of start-ups and entrepreneurs, AIM has been establishing world class incubators called Atal Incubation Centres (AICs) at universities, institutions and corporates among others. Till date AIM has successfully operationalized 68 Atal Incubation Centres with universities / institutions / private players across India.

- (b) The number of Atal Tinkering Labs set up across the country is 9,606, out of which 503 Atal Tinkering Labs have been set up in Rajasthan state. Further, 15 ATLS have been set up in Dausa district, 8 ATLS have been set up in Karauli district and 14 ATLS have been set up in Sawai Madhopur district.

The number of Atal Incubation Centres set up across the country is 68. There are no AICs set up in districts of Dausa, Karauli and Sawai Madhopur, however, AIM has established 4 AICs in districts of Tonk and Jaipur in Rajasthan state, till date. The state-wise summary of ATLS and AICs is placed as **Annexure**.

State-wise summary of Funds released for Atal Tinkering Labs

State/UT	Number of ATLs	Number of AICs
Andaman And Nicobar Island	10	0
Andhra Pradesh	690	2
Arunachal Pradesh	31	0
Assam	331	2
Bihar	94	1
Chandigarh	22	0
Chhattisgarh	361	1
Dadra And Nagar Haveli	4	0
Delhi	198	6
Goa	20	1
Gujarat	598	5
Haryana	410	1
Himachal Pradesh	106	0
Jammu And Kashmir	88	1
Jharkhand	122	0
Karnataka	753	11
Kerala	364	2
Madhya Pradesh	586	4
Maharashtra	996	7
Manipur	117	0
Meghalaya	13	0
Mizoram	26	0
Nagaland	25	0
Odisha	318	2
Puducherry	18	1
Punjab	223	1
Rajasthan	503	4
Sikkim	27	1
Tamil Nadu	939	6
Telangana	357	5
Tripura	20	0
Uttar Pradesh	942	4
Uttarakhand	81	0
West Bengal	211	0
Ladakh	2	0
TOTAL	9606	68