

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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5TH NATIONAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION POLICY

611. SHRI SANDOSH KUMAR P:

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

- (a) the expected release of the 5th National Science, Technology and Innovation Policy;
- (b) whether the draft Science, Technology and Innovation Policy has received feedback from the stakeholders;
- (c) if so, whether the feedback is available for public scrutiny and understanding; and
- (d) whether any State Government has ever initiated a science policy since independence?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The draft of the 5th Science Innovation and Technology Policy (STIP) is currently under finalization by the Government.
- (b) Yes Sir, the draft of STIP was circulated for wider public feedback including inter-ministerial consultations inviting suggestions/feedbacks from stakeholders. In addition, extensive consultations with thought leaders, acclaimed scientists, academic & research institutions, Indian diaspora, including States/UTs, were carried out. A large number of suggestions received through the entire process of consultation were thoroughly analyzed and relevant points were suitably incorporated into the revised policy document.
- (c) The suggestions/ feedbacks received mainly through emails/direct consultations were not made public but incorporated into the revised draft and presented to Apex level committee.
- (d) Yes Sir, the State of Gujarat had brought out its STI Policy in 2018.
