

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY**

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Increasing the retirement age of scientists

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Will the Minister of *Science and Technology* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the retirement age of scientists in India is 60 years;
- (b) whether in many developed and developing countries, the retirement age of scientists is 65 years and above;
- (c) whether Government is contemplating upon increasing the retirement age of scientists in the country so that their knowledge and experience can be utilized for the benefit of the nation for a longer duration;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes, the retirement age of scientists working in Ministry of Science and Technology is 60 years, except Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR) and Indian Association for Cultivation of Science (IACS), autonomous bodies under the Ministry.
- (b) Yes, this is true for many developed countries.
- (c) to (e) The matter is under examination in the Ministry.