

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2215

TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2023

**COMMERCIAL VIABILITY OF SATELLITE MANUFACTURING AND
LAUNCHING**

2215. MS. INDU BALA GOSWAMI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has examined the commercial viability of satellite manufacturing and launching; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC
GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE**

(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) Yes Sir. The commercial arm of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and the Government of India company under Department of Space, the NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), a schedule 'A' CPSE, has been undertaking space business viz. satellite manufacturing and launching; providing launch services and satellite based services to international and domestic customers based on their commercial viability. The commercial space business activities of NSIL have brought in substantial revenue and profit for the company, year on year.
- (b) Especially with regard to satellite manufacturing and launching, NSIL had built and launched GSAT-24 communication satellite for meeting Direct-to-home (DTH) service needs of M/s. Tata Play, through its own investment. NSIL undertook this activity purely based on its commercial viability.
In future NSIL proposes to undertake many such satellite manufacturing and launching activities as they are found to be commercially viable for the company.
