## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1047

TO BE ANSWERED ON 9/3/2017

#### ROLE OF COW URINE AND DUNG IN CURING DISEASES

1047. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to critically evaluate the role of cow urine and dung in curing diseases;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that no money has been committed or allocated for the said purpose; and
- (d) whether the proposal is yet to pass strict scientific scrutiny?

### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI.Y. S. CHOWDARY)

(a) Yes Sir.

(b to d): A programme on "Scientific Validation and Research on Panchgavya ( स्वरूप/SVAROP)" has been initiated recently by Centre for Rural Development and Technology (CRDT) - Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)-Delhi, under Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan. In this endeavour, a "National Brainstorming Cum-Consultative Workshop on SVAROP" was organized at IIT, Delhi on 18-19 December 2016. In this Workshop, scientists, researchers and practitioners from various IITs, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Department of Biotechnology (DBT) and Department of Science and Technology (DST), Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India, besides Voluntary Organizations participated. During the Workshop, proposals were invited by IIT, Delhi under five components of Panchgavya (Cow dung, urine, milk, curd and ghee) in order to be a part of scientific validation process for their respective roles including role of cow urine and dung in curing diseases. After the Workshop, about 50 Research & Development proposals have so far been received by IIT-Delhi.

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