

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2379

TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018

LAUNCH PAD IN TAMIL NADU

2379. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA:

SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any study has been conducted to establish launch pad at Kulasekarapattinam in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any target has been fixed for construction of launch pad there or at any other place in the State?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG &
PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a) & (b)

No, Sir. However, an expert committee was constituted to assess the need for a new launch site considering the capabilities of existing launch pads at Sriharikota, launch vehicles currently operational and the future launch requirements for the next decade. The committee concluded that there is no immediate requirement to establish a new launching site in the country.

(c) Does not arise.
