

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1560
ANSWERED ON 10.12.2021

LAUNCH OF TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION PLATFORMS

1560. SHRI JOHN BRITTAS:

Will the Minister of *Heavy Industries* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has recently launched six technology innovation platforms for development of technologies for globally competitive manufacturing in India; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES
(SHRI KRISHAN PAL GURJAR)

(a) & (b): Yes, on 2nd July, 2021, Ministry of Heavy Industries launched six web-based technology innovation platforms. The Platforms aim to bring together the Industry & Academia to foster technological innovations in heavy industries. They offer opportunities to industries to seek optimum solutions for technological problems faced by them from the vast pool of scientific & technical manpower in the academia.

The details of the six platforms are as under:

- (i) **TechNovuus** set up and maintained by *Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI)* focussing on Automotive sector (<https://technovuus.araiindia.com>).
- (ii) **SANRACHNA** set up and maintained by BHEL focussing on the power sector and renewable energy sector (<http://sanrachna.bhel.in>).
- (iii) **DRISHTI** set up and maintained by Central Manufacturing Technology Institute (CMTI), Bengaluru focussing on the various technologies associated with Capital goods (<http://www.drishti.cmti.res.in>).
- (iv) **ASPIRE** set up and maintained by International Centre for Automotive Technology (ICAT) focussing on Automotive Technologies development (<http://www.aspire.icat.in>).
- (v) **KITE** set up and maintained by AMTDC-IIT Madras focussing on Robotics and Virtual Reality, Machine Tools (<https://kite.iitm.ac.in>).
- (vi) **SURGE** set up and maintained by HMT MTL Ltd - IISc Bangalore is a Technology Innovation Platform focussing on Machine Tools sector (<http://www.surgeindia.in>).
