GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 893

TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023

REVENUE GENERATION BY LAUNCHING OF FOREIGN SATELLITES

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Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) details of foreign exchanges earned by Government by launching satellites belonging to foreign countries;
- (b) details, if any, of the target fixed by Government to earn foreign exchange by launching foreign satellites; and
- (c) details of the percentage earned as foreign exchange by launching foreign satellites in Research and Development activities so far?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) Starting from May 1999 till June 2023, a total of 425 Foreign Satellites have been successfully launched on commercial basis. Through launching of this foreign satellites, country has earned a total Foreign Exchange revenue of 175 Million USD and 256 Million Euros.
- (b) & (c)

NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), a Government of India Company under Department of Space and the Commercial arm of ISRO, is responsible for commercial marketing of launch services to foreign satellite customers. NSIL through its marketing efforts is striving towards securing more foreign satellite launch service contracts, year-on-year, onboard SSLV, PSLV and GSLV-MkIII (LVM-3) rockets. Also, the plans of NSIL to produce more number of these rockets through Indian Industry, would enable increase in Foreign Exchange revenue through Launch services.
