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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2592

TO BE ANSWERED ON 24th March, 2025

DIA-COE IN PREMIER INSTITUTES

2592 SHRI ANIL KUMAR YADAV MANDADI:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken steps to set up DRDO Industry Academia Centre of Excellence at the premier institutes of technologies in the State of Telangana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether DIA-CoE has not been set up in the premier institutes of technologies in the State, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SANJAY SETH)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Based on the DRDO's policy for funding Directed Research under the Grants-in-Aid scheme, DRDO has established two DRDO Industry Academia Centre of Excellence (DIA-CoE) in the Telangana State namely, DIA-CoE IIT Hyderabad and DIA-CoE University of Hyderabad (UoH). The projects funded through DIA-CoE IIT Hyderabad and DIA-CoE UoH are based on Hub & Scope Model. Details of sanctioned projects at the 2 DIA-CoEs are as follows:
 - DIA-CoE IIT Hyderabad: 29 projects of total cost Rs.83.87 Crore are sanctioned under Grants-in-Aid scheme.
 - DIA-CoE UoH: Centre has 06 ongoing projects of total cost Rs.3.19 Crore under Grants-in-Aid scheme.

First year Fund for the projects sanctioned through DIA-CoE IIT Hyderabad & DIA-CoE UoH is released and researchers are engaged at both the Centres.

(c) In view of the reply given above, question does not arise.
