GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3816

TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, APRIL 03, 2025

VENTURE CAPITAL FUND FOR SPACE SECTOR

3816. DR. KALPANA SAINI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the total funds sanctioned by Government for Venture Capital Fund for the space sector;
- (b) the details of the funds disbursed to the space sector startups from the said Venture Capital Fund till February, 2025;
- (c) the time limit set for implementation of the said funding scheme and the amount proposed to be allocated per financial year;
- (d) whether Government has taken any steps to ensure an effective process of selection and monitoring of startups under the said scheme; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The Union Cabinet has approved Rs. 1,000 crore Venture Capital Fund dedicated to Indian Space Sector under the aegis of IN-SPACe.
- (b) 'Nil', as the fund is in the process of being operationalized.

(c) M/s. SIDBI Venture Capital is selected as Fund Manager/Investment Manager for the Rs.1,000 crore Venture Capital Fund for space sector. Further process is underway. Depending on the investment opportunities and fund requirements, the proposed breakup financial year wise is as below:

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Estimate (In ₹ Crores)
1	2025-26	150.00
2	2026-27	250.00
3	2027-28	250.00
4	2028-29	250.00
5	2029-30	100.00
	Total Envelope (VC)	1000.00

(d) & (e)

Yes sir, the ₹ 1,000 crore Space VC Fund will be structured to efficiently allocate resources from across various growth stages of the start-ups/space industry by proven selected fund manager.
