GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3324

ANSWERED ON 21/08/2025

SUPPORT TO TECHNOLOGY STARTUPS BY TDB

3324 SHRI SANA SATHISH BABU:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the list of startups benefitted under the "Empowering Technology Startups" initiative of the Technology Development Board (TDB), along with details of financial assistance extended;
- (b) the sectors and technology domains in which these commercialisation projects have been funded so far;
- (c) whether any startups located in the State of Andhra Pradesh have been supported under this initiative and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Ministry has conducted any awareness programmes, workshops or outreach activities to promote TDB's financial support schemes, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY & EARTH SCIENCES (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a) to (c): The Technology Development Board (TDB) has issued a special call for proposal under the title "Empowering Technology Startups" on 20th February, 2025. The call was open till 10th April, 2025. Under this call, a total of 74 applications have been received and are under review.
- (d) To catalyse technology innovation & development across diverse sectors, TDB has actively participated in numerous outreach activities. The TDB has organised interactive meetings with potential entrepreneurs, industry associations R&D organisations, etc. to communicate it's mandate and support mechanism. It has also participated in various exhibitions to connect with stakeholders. Over the past three years, outreach activities have been held at various cities, such as, Jodhpur, Faridabad, Chennai, Guwahati, Patna, Varanasi, Bhopal, Nagpur, Bhubaneshwar, Mumbai, Coimbatore, Kanpur, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, etc.