

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2204**  
(ANSWERED ON 18.12.2025)

**FIRE AT CSIR-NATIONAL CHEMICAL LABORATORY, PUNE**

2204. Shri Ramji Lal Suman:  
Shri Neeraj Dangi:

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

- (a) whether any inquiry or investigation was conducted regarding the fire incident that occurred at the CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory, Pune, on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017 and the associated project;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any delay in completing the investigation; and
- (d) if so, the reason therefor and the details of any action taken against the responsible authorities for not completing the investigation in a time-bound manner?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR THE  
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES

(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

(a)&(b) Yes, The investigation was conducted regarding the fire incident that occurred on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017 in the CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory (CSIR-NCL), Pune at INDUS MAGIC Pilot Plant -3 Project site. The details of investigation is as under:

- CSIR-NCL, Fact Finding Committee report dated 10.04.2017
- DG, CSIR constituted Inquiry Committee Report dated 08.06.2017
- CSIR-NCL, Investigation Committee report dated 21.02.2018
- CSIR-NCL, Investigation Committee report dated 04.12.2019
- Investigation report of Chaturshrungi Police Station, Pune dated 08.06.2018
- CBI, ACB, Pune verification report dated 08.05.2019
- CBI, ACB, Pune Self- Contained Note Report dated 13.09.2021

(c) There was no delay in completing the investigation

(d) Does not arise

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