

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 774

TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 05, 2026

THIRD LAUNCH PAD (TLP) AT SATISH DHAWAN SPACE CENTRE

774. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of construction and development of Third Launch Pad (TLP) at Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota, including timelines achieved and milestones pending;
- (b) whether the Department has partnered with or engaged private players, MSMEs or startups in its implementation and related infrastructure; and
- (c) if so, the details of such collaborations and the mechanism adopted to ensure Make in India and Atmanirbhar Bharat objectives are met?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC
GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE**

(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) The geo-technical investigation and topography survey of the site is completed in the third quarter of 2025 subsequent to the financial approval, obtained on March 21, 2025. All the systems are configured and the preparation of tenders are in progress. As of now, two tenders have been floated. Presently, civil works are in progress related to construction of approach roads and establishing temporary power supply. The major pending milestones are the establishment of the propellant storage & servicing systems, realization of mobile launch pedestal, lightning protection towers, rail tracks to the vehicle integration buildings and Jet Deflection Duct. The planned PDC is March, 2029.

(b) & (c)

Private industries and MSMEs are expected to participate in the tendering process related to the implementation of the Third Launch Pad. All the tenders are proposed to be floated and executed in accordance with the existing procurement mechanisms followed in the Department including preference to Make-in-India.
