

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3010

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SUPPORT TO SPACE STARTUPS

3010. SHRI RAGHAV CHADHA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of recognised space startups during the last five years and the facilities provided to them, including launch slots and testing access, year-wise;
- (b) the State-wise distribution of such startups;
- (c) the total Government-backed financial support sanctioned and disbursed to space startups during the last five years, year-wise; and
- (d) the measures taken to ensure transparent approvals and equitable access to facilities for space startups?

ANSWER

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(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) As per the **DPIIT Start-up India Portal**, around **440 space technology startups** are registered in India. IN-SPACe has granted 113 authorisations to 52 Non-Government Entities (NGEs) to carry out various space activities, out of which 18 are start-ups. The details are as under:

1. Agnikul Cosmos Pvt Ltd,
2. Akshath Aerospace Private Limited,
3. Azista BST,
4. Bellatrix Aerospace Pvt Ltd,
5. Cosmoserv Space India Private Limited,
6. Dhruva Space Private Limited,
7. Digantara Research and Technologies Pvt. Ltd
8. GalaxEye Space Solutions Private Limited,
9. HEX20Labs India Pvt ltd.,
10. Inorbit Space Telecommunications Private Limited,
11. Manastu Space Technologies Private Limited,
12. NSpace Tech India Private Limited,
13. OrbitAID Aerospace Private Limited,
14. PierSight Space Private Limited,
15. PixxelSpace India Private Limited,
16. Skyroot Aerospace Private Limited,
17. Space Kidz India,
18. TakeMe2Space Technologies Pvt. Ltd,

Further, the details of facilitation provided to start-ups by IN SPACE including launch slots and testing access, year-wise are as under:

Sl. No.	Year	Details of Start-ups	Facilitation provided
1	2022	Agnikul Cosmos, Skyroot Aerospace, Pixxel	Flex seal & acoustic testing, S/X-band antenna RF testing, sub-orbital launch access (Vikram-S), launch vehicle TM reception.
2	2023	Dhruva Space, Pixxel Space, Skyroot Aerospace, Agnikul Cosmos, Spacekidz, Azista BST	Agniban SoRTeD launch access, RAMAN-I & II engine testing, Azaadisat-2 environmental testing, static stage testing, ground station

			support.
3	2024	Skyroot Aerospace, Pixxel Space, Manastu Space, Piersight Space, N Space Tech India Pvt. Ltd.	Stage-1 casting & propellant supply, hardware-in-loop simulations, POEM payload EMI/EMC and shock testing.
4	2025	Agnikul Cosmos, Dhruva Space, Piersight, Galaxeye, Satleo Labs, Skyroot Aerospace	Cryogenic pump PDR review, X/UHF-band downlink support, TVAC/outgassing tests, trajectory validation, cooling umbilical supply.
5	2026	TakeMe2Space, Bellatrix Aerospace, Skyroot Aerospace, OrbitAid Aerospace, Dhruva Space Pvt. Ltd,	First Launch Pad (FLP) utilization for Vikram-1, docking mechanism lab testing, SRS shock testing, silicide coating for micro-thrusters.

(b) The State-wise details of number of recognised space start-ups are not available with IN-SPACe.

(c) Details of funds sanctioned and disbursed by IN-SPACe as on 31.07.2026 during the last five years are as under:

(Rs in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of Scheme	Project/ Scheme Envelope						Cumulative
			FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	
1	IN-SPACe Seed Fund Scheme/PIE	6500	NIL	56	88.3	225	20	389.30
2	Venture Capital Funds	100000	SEBI Approval: 31-10-2025			605.64	18287.40	18893.04
3	Technology adoption Fund	50000	03 NGE selected for development of Technology			NIL	NIL	NIL

4	Satellite Bus as a Service (SBaaS)	7500	03 NGE selected for development			NIL	750	750
5	Common Technical facilities	50000	Agreement signed with Govt. of Gujarat and Tamilnadu			NIL	NIL	NIL
Total		214000	0	88.3	56	830.64	13077.15	20032.34

(d) IN-SPACe has established a digital platform to facilitate startups in accessing various schemes and services. The platform serves as a single-window interface for enabling and supporting the growth of India's space startups. Through this platform, startups can apply for Authorisation, funding opportunities, seek mentorship, access ISRO/IN-SPACe facilities, avail technology transfer, receive launch and mission support, and participate in skill development and capacity-building programmes.
