GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2142 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15/03/2017 Bio-technology Parks

2142. SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY:

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

- (a) the details of Bio-technology Parks in the country and the achievements made therein;
- (b) the details of fund allocation for the existing and proposed Bio-technology Parks during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) the revenue earned by biotech industry in the country during the last three years, yearwise;
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase the earnings; and
- (e) the policy initiatives taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to make India a biotech hub in the world?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (Y. S. Chowdary)

(a) Madam, the Department has supported 06 Bio-technology parks in various states. The Bio-technology Parks have created shared infrastructure and high end equipment facilities along with incubation space for promoting entrepreneurship development in Biotechnology sector. Several incubatees have been benefitted from this support.

- (b) Budgetary support from the Department of Biotechnology has been provided only to 2 parks during the last 3 years including current year. The details are given below:
 - (i) Biotech Park Lucknow, UP, Rs. 338.67 lakhs (2016-2017)
 - (ii) Biotech Park Kochi, Kerala, Rs. 276.74 lakhs (2013-2014) and Rs. 300.00 lakhs (2014-2015).
- (c) The revenue earned by biotech industry during FY 2013-2014, FY 2014-2015 and FY 2015-16 has been US \$ 5 Billion, US \$ 7 Billion and US \$ 11 Billion, respectively.
- (d) & (e)A number of policy initiatives have been taken to boost the Biotech Sector to make India a Global Biotech Hub. The announcements on Make In India and StartUp India policies have contributed greatly to scaling up of StartUps and creating the desired infrastructure and attract investments. The details of policy initiatives taken by Government of India are available on http://www.makeinindia.com/sector/biotechnology
