

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2206
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2017)**

PREDATORY JOURNALS

**2206. SHRIMATI RANJEET RANJAN:
SHRI RAJESH RANJAN:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has laid down criteria to define 'predatory journals' and identified the number of Indian 'Predatory Journal' publishers, and if so, the discipline-wise details of these publishers;**
- (b) whether the researchers from laboratories under the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and the Indian Institutes of Technology (IIT) are publishing academic papers in 'predatory journals' i.e. online publications accepting poor quality papers without adequate peer review;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons for no study/survey/analysis done to document this;**
- (d) whether the Government has not formulated any rules/policies to discourage increased publishing in predatory journals since 2014; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES
(SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY)**

(a)to(e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.
