

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SPACE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3435**

TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 2017

DEVELOPMENT OF ISRO

3435. DR. ARUN KUMAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether ISRO has emerged as a powerful institution in the field of space in recent years; and**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to develop it as a top most centre of the world by providing autonomy to the scientists of ISRO?**

ANSWER

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

(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a) & (b)

Department of Space/ ISRO has been contributing in the field of space technology by building indigenous capabilities in the areas of – (i) launch vehicle systems, comprising of various classes of launch vehicles (ii) earth observation, communication and navigation satellites addressing essential space infrastructure; (iii) space applications for harnessing the benefits of space technology for national development & societal services; and (iv)

space exploration missions towards providing opportunities for space science and planetary research. Over the years, ISRO has launched various missions with a focus on national development, disaster management support and societal services.

Department of Space is not competing with other countries but is focussed on the use of space technology for addressing specific issues of our country.
