# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1984 TO BE ANSWERED ON 7/3/2018

## **ASSISTANCE TO NGOs**

## †1984. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the schemes under which the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) are getting assistance;

(b) the details of the amount of funds provided to the NGOs during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government is satisfied with the working of the NGOs; and

(d) if not, the action taken by the Government against them along with the names of such NGOs?

## ANSWER

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI Y.S. CHOWDHARY)

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

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**(a)** Ministry of Science and Technology through its various constituents namely Department of Science and Technology (DST), Department of Biotechnology (DBT) and Department of Scientific & Industrial Research (DSIR) are providing assistance to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) under various schemes. DST is providing assistance to NGOs under its Central Sector schemes such as "Innovation, Technology Development and Deployment" (which has components including Socio-Economic Development; S&T Communication and Popularization; Innovation S&T Entrepreneurship Development; Science and Society Program; Waste Management Technology Program; Technology System Development Program; Biomedical Device and Technology Development Program; Advanced Manufacturing Technology Program; National Spatial Data Infrastructure Program; Scheduled Caste Sub Plan and Tribal Sub Plan), "S&T Institutional and Human Capacity Building" (which includes State S&T Program and Disha Programme for Women in Science), and "Research and Development" scheme (which includes Climate Change Program and Cognitive Science Research Initiative). In the same vein, DBT is implementing "R&D Biotechnology based Programme for Societal Development (Rural, SC&ST, Women program)" through NGOs, while DSIR provides financial support to NGOs under the scheme "Technology Development & Utilization programme for Women".

(b) During the last three years 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17, Rs.38.01 crore, Rs.78.26 crore and Rs.81.81 crore respectively had been provided to NGOs.

(c) & (d): Yes, Madam. Government is satisfied with the working of the NGOs receiving financial support from the Ministry. The progress of the projects supported is monitored at regular intervals by respective Committee of Experts constituted for the purpose by the Government. The recommendations made by the Committee of Experts are communicated to the NGOs for taking appropriate action and mid-course corrections, if any, during implementation of the projects. Thus no action is warranted against the NGOs getting support from the Ministry.

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