GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2621 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2018

Industry and Education

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to create better coordination between industry and education sector in order to promote research on the lines of foreign countries in the country;
- **(b)** if so, the steps being taken by the Government to encourage both private and public sectors for research projects;
- **(c)** whether any concrete steps have been taken to ensure participation of people from industries in the management, technology and higher education sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)

(a) to (d): In order to provide impetus to research in the country, the Government has approved setting up of 9 Research Parks one each at IIT Madras, IIT Kharagpur, IIT Bombay, IIT Gandhinagar, IIT Delhi, IIT Guwahati, IIT Kanpur, IIT Hyderabad, and IISc Bangalore. IIT Madras Research Park has become fully functional with 43 R&D clients, 4 Incubators, 55 Start-ups, and 5 Centres of Excellence. IIT Gandhinagar Research Park has been approved with full funding from the Department of Science & Technology. Further, with a view to promoting innovation of a higher order that directly impacts the needs of the Industry and thereby improves the competitive edge of Indian manufacturing, Ucchatar Avishkar Yojana (UAY) was approved by the Government. Under UAY, scheme of project funding by MHRD, participating Ministries and the Industry in the ratio of 50:25:25 has also been approved.
