GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5308 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28/3/2018

GRANTS TO NGOS

5308. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT: SHRI SATAV RAJEEV: DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN: SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK: SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:

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

(a) whether the Ministry of Science and Technology takes help of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) for running a number of their programmes;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the achievement made thereto;

(c) whether the Ministry of Science and Technology extends financial grants to NGOs for the promotion of Science and Technology;

(d) if so, the details of funds made available to the NGOs by the Government during the last three years and the current year in this regard; and

(e) the names of the NGOs, which have been running the programmes of the Ministry during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES AND MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री, पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री और पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

(डा. हर्ष वर्धन)

(a) & (b): No, Madam. Ministry of Science and Technology doesn't take help of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) for running programmes. Programmes of the Ministry are not outsourced to NGOs fro running. However, the Ministry provides grants-in-aid support to the NGOs to implement Science and Technology (S&T) based intervention projects under its various schemes.

(c) Yes, Madam. 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 extending grants-in-aid support to NGOs under various schemes to promote science and technology interventions.

(d) During the last three years and current year viz. 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18, Rs.38.01 crore, Rs.78.26 crore, Rs.81.81 crore and Rs.33.62 crore respectively has been provided to NGOs by the Ministry.

(e) Ministry of Science and Technology does not provide any grants-in-aid support to NGOs for running its programmes. NGOs are only implementing projects which are conceived by them and the Ministry provides grant-in-aid support to such projects on merit basis.