GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1352 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25/7/2018

NECTAR

1352. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV: DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN: SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:

SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK: SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO: DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:

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

(a) whether the Government has taken adequate initiative for the implementation of the North East Centre for Technology Application and Research (NECTAR) since its inception;

- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the financial allocation made to NECTAR during the last three years and the current year;
- (d) the target set by NECTAR in different areas;
- (e) the details of ongoing projects under the above centre; and
- (f) the targets set and the achievements made so far?

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): Yes, Madam. The full form of NECTAR is "North East Centre for Technology Application and Reach". Subsequent to the Cabinet decision in June, 2012, (NECTAR) has been registered as a Society under the Society Registration Act, 1860 on 30.11.2012 with its registered office at Shillong, Meghalaya. However, due to lack of accommodation in Shillong, the organization is presently functioning from Delhi. Recently, NECTAR has taken some vacant space on lease from Survey of India at Shillong and requested the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) to carry out necessary fittings and furnishings to enable shifting of NECTAR to Shillong. The Govt. of Meghalaya has also allocated land for setting up the office of NECTAR. Necessary action for construction of office at the allocated site will commence after shifting of office to the temporary site in Survey of India premises at Shillong.

The Memorandum of Association, Rules & Regulations and Bye-laws of NECTAR have been approved. Further necessary actions to strengthen NECTAR are underway. NECTAR is doing projects for all North Eastern States and is in constant touch with State Governments for formulating new projects. (c) The financial allocation made to NECTAR during the last three years and current year is as follows:

Financial Allocation				
Year	Amount (in crore)	Remarks		
2015-16	2.0	NECTAR did not need financial support from the Government from the year 2016-17 onwards as the		
2016-17	NIL			
2017-18	NIL	expenditure was met out of repayments received from units assisted under Technology Developments Assistance, earnings from projects sponsored by Central/State Governments and other organizations especially from projects related to geospatia applications.		
2018-19	NIL			

(d) NECTAR's mandate is to find and demonstrate technologies in the North East region as per technology gaps identified in consultation with State governments and, therefore, setting of specific targets is not feasible.

(e) & (f): The details of ongoing projects, targets set by NECTAR, and their achievements are as follows:

S.No.	Project	Target	Achievements/ Status
1	TuraExtensionCCTV Project	12 Locations of Tura City have been proposed for CCTV extension project at a cost of Rs.20 lakhs	Under feasibility survey stage
2	Arunachal Pradesh Police Software Defined Radio (SDR) Project	The project was taken up for installing 82 new SDR sets at various locations including 12 vehicle mounted radios. It provides uninterrupted communication network connecting Zimithang to Vijayanagar Border.	Partially completed
3	High Resolution Multispectral data for Ministry of Agriculture	Acquisition of High Resolution Multispectral data for Karnal, Ahmadnagar and Raichur for Ministry of Agriculture at a total cost of Rs 7.12 lakhs	Field work completed, data under processing
4	Survey and Study of Submergence area of proposed Barmul dam on Mahanadi River and 20 km Link Canal Alignment	400 sq. km of area for Feasibility Survey of the proposed Dam at Badmul Village and 20 km Canal Alignment survey through UAV /Drone Flying at a total cost of Rs 15.00 lakhs for Ministry of Water Resources.	
5	Setting up / construction of around 1174 numbers of pre-fabricated Kitchen-cum-Store under Mid day Meal at various locations in Manipur	Supported setting up/construction of around 1174 numbers of pre-fabricated Kitchen-cum-Store under Mid-day Meal at various locations in Manipur, funded to the extent of 75% by Education Department, Manipur Government.	Ongoing. 462 numbers have been constructed and delivered.
