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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4343 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.01.2019

Research Parks

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

- (a) the number of Research Parks and incubation centres that have been established as a part of Impacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT) I and II; and
- (b) the details of projects that have been recommended with regards to challenges that have been identified under the domain of 'Security and Defence'?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)

(a) & (b): Government has launched a flagship initiative called "Impacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT) with a view to promote research in ten identified domains, including Security and Defence. All approved projects are funded jointly by this Ministry and the participating Ministries/Departments, each contributing 50% of the cost. 37 projects in the Security and Defence domain have been approved at a cost of Rs.55.91 crore out of which, 16 projects at a cost of Rs.41.11 crore are jointly funded by Defence Research & Development Organization (DRDO) and the remaining 21 at a cost of Rs.14.80 crore by the Department of Science & Technology (DST).

Setting up of Research Parks is a separate scheme, namely Start-up India Initiative in Higher Educational Institutions (SIIHEI), under which, five new Research Parks one each at IIT Delhi, IIT Guwahati, IIT Kanpur, IIT Hyderabad and IISc Bangalore have been approved at a cost of Rs.75 crore each; and continued financial support for the two previously approved Research Parks, one each at IIT Kharagpur and IIT Bombay at a cost of Rs.100 crore each. In addition, the Research Park at IIT Gandhinagar at a cost of Rs.90 crore is funded by DST whereas IIT Madras Research Park, approved previously as a separate scheme, is fully functional.
