GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2019

TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 03, 2019

PRIVATE PARTICIPATION IN SPACE SECTOR

- 2019. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:
 - Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government is aware of the growing contribution of private sector and startups in space industry worldwide;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to encourage private sector participation in India's space programme during the last five years; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor along with the other steps being taken by the Government for the growth of space industry?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) Yes Sir.
- (b) A large number of big, medium and small private companies are contributing to India's Space Programme for over three decades. There is a well established supply chain system from the private sector industries across the country that produces and delivers majority of the hardware and sub-systems for our Nation's Space Programme. In addition, Government has also taken steps to support start-ups who are willing to contribute

to space technology through Department of Space. Towards this, Space Technology Incubation Centres (S-TIC) are getting established across the country where start-ups can take up Space Projects with the support of academia and ISRO guidance along with funding, on a limited basis, for the projects taken up.

(c) Does not arise.
