GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1103

TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 08, 2023

ESTABLISHMENT OF TELEMEDICINE NODES

1103. SHRI P. RAVINDHRANATH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of establishment & functioning of "Telemedicine Nodes" by Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO), towards providing emergency medical treatment services in remote areas, across India;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to extend the telemedicine network of ISRO for the upcoming AIIMS at Madurai thereby ensuring remote Government hospitals, and primary health centers, situated across Tamil Nadu, that are going to avail expert consultation services, on need basis, including emergency medical services; and
- (c) If so, the details thereof;

ANSWER

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

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- (a) Presently 190 Tele-medicine nodes are functional using satellite communication across the country. These nodes are established in remote and hilly regions of the country benefitting the Defence & Security agencies and General Public for Tele-consultations.
- (b) & (c) ISRO has not received any request/proposal to establish Telemedicine network from AIIMS Madurai.

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