GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4663 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2023

SETTING UP ISRO SPACE CENTRE IN BIHAR

4663. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of space centres set up across the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up ISRO space centre in Bihar under the private sector keeping in mind the interests of young entrepreneurs and students in the field of space science; and
- (c) if so, the details of the facilities likely to be provided to the youths under the said scheme?

ANSWER

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

(a) Department of Space has 31 space centres across the country, comprising of Centres/Units of Indian Space Research Organisation, Autonomous Bodies and Public Sector Enterprises.

(b) & (c)

Keeping in mind, the interests of young entrepreneurs and students in the field of space science, ISRO has set up the Regional Academic Centre for Space (RAC-S) at NIT, Patna.

Regional Academic Centre for Space (RAC-S) is a regional level initiative to pursue advanced research in the areas of relevance to the future technological and programmatic needs of the Indian Space Programme and act as a facilitator for the promotion of space technology activities in the region.

The selected institute for the establishment of RAC-S will coordinate the research activities and will act as the lead centre. RAC-S will also engage other institutes of excellence in the area of Science and Technology in the region to take part in the research and development activities of the centre.
