# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

### UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 5320 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2023

#### **ROLE OF SCIENCE**

#### 5320. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रोद्योगिकी मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is cognizant that for the development of 21st-century New India, science will play an important role in accelerating the growth of all areas and sectors; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the initiatives taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to urge our citizens to celebrate the achievements of the scientists of the country with great enthusiasm?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी तथा पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (डॉ. जितेंद्र सिंह)

- (a) Yes Sir, the Government is cognizant that science will play an important role in accelerating the growth of all sectors for the development of the 21<sup>st</sup> century New India.
- (b) Government has been initiating several activities to involve the people in celebrating the achievements in the Science and Technology domain through different outreach activities that include the showcasing the S&T initiatives and achievements of the R&D activities through print, electronic and social media platforms (Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn and YouTube); Celebration of national Science day, Technology day and other such events in the memory of our past scientific glories; publication of biographies of notable Indian Scientists in the monthly newsletter "Dream 2047" brought out by Vigyan Prasar, an Autonomous Institution under Department of Science and Technology; organizing popular science lectures by eminent scientists; organizing competitions among students on science related topics; conducting webinar series with live Q&A sessions; organizing Expos, Seminars and Exhibition. The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research though its Technology Portal is sharing lists the success stories including the technologies for social Interventions for improving livelihood; conducted "One Week One Lab" Campaign during January 2023 to showcase the technological breakthroughs and innovations in each of the CSIR laboratories/institutes spread across the country.

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