GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5386 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 05, 2023

STATUS OF GAGANYAAN PROGRAMME

5386. SHRI JAGANNATH SARKAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the Indian Gaganyaan Human Space Flight Programme;
- (b) whether the Government has the details of the major space programmes and flights to be launched with indigenously developed technologies in the near future; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) The current status of the Indian Gaganyaan Human Space
Flight Programme is as follows:

- i. All the subsystems pertaining to Test Vehicle TV-D1 mission viz., stage hardware, pyros, auxiliary systems, launch complex systems etc. have been realized. The Crew Module for TV-D1 mission is delivered.
- ii. Static tests of all Crew Escape System motors have been completed. Batch testing is in progress.
- iii. First semester of Astronaut training has been completed.

 Corresponding crew evaluation and assessment activities have also been completed. Second semester is underway.
- iv. Orbital module configuration for uncrewed G1 mission is finalised and realization of hardware commenced. The qualification of Deceleration System Parachutes and pyros via Ground and Air drop tests are underway.
- v. Recovery trials commenced at Water Survival Test Facility (WSTF), Indian Navy.
- vi. The MoU and contracts related activities with national and international agencies are progressing well.

(b) & (c)

Yes, Sir. Several missions on the indigenously developed launch vehicles viz. PSLV, GSLV, LVM3 and SSLV are planned in near future. A total of 12 launch vehicles missions i.e. 7 flights of PSLV, 3 flights of GSLV and 1 flight each of SSLV & LVM3 are planned in the upcoming months of 2023 and/or early 2024, in addition to the test flights for Gaganyaan program.

A brief description of major space programs and flights to be launched with indigenously developed technologies in the near future:

- 7 flights of PSLV are planned to be held with following spacecrafts:
 - Launch of Technology Demonstration Satellite TDS 01, comprised of indigenous TWTA, Electric Propulsion system and a host of other technologies.
 - 3 dedicated commercial missions of NSIL carrying
 Teleos-2, Ds-sar and Anwesha, respectively.
 - Aaditya-L1 the first Indian Space mission to study the Sun.
 - XPoSAT- The X-Ray Polarimeter Satellite, India's first dedicated polarimetry mission to study the dynamics of bright astronomical X-ray sources in extreme conditions.
 - Radar Imaging Satellite RISAT 1B.
- The Reusable Launch Vehicle Landing Experiment [RLV-LEX] is also scheduled during early 2023.
- 3 flights of GSLV are planned to be held, carrying NVS-01,
 INSAT-3DS and NISAR spacecrafts respectively.
- The configuration and design of various systems related to Gaganyaan is completed and the programme has entered the realization and testing phase. The first test vehicle mission, TV-D1, is planned in mid-2023.
- The launch of SSLV D3 is also planned in 2023.

- Chandrayaan-3 the follow-up mission to Chandrayaan-2, intended to demonstrate soft landing on the lunar surface, to be launched aboard the LVM3.
 - Besides, a host of private sector activities, including launch vehicles and satellite launches, are also expected to happen in 2023.
