# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

#### **LOK SABHA**

# UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1721 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

#### **COMPLETION OF CHANDRAYAAN-3 PROJECT**

## 1721. SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that ISRO has successfully completed the project Chandrayaan-3;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to utilize ISRO as a facilitator for other countries to provide launch facility and other space programmes; and
- (d) 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) & (b)

Yes Sir. India's third mission to Moon – Chandrayaan-3 was successfully launched at 14:35 hrs on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 from

Sriharikota on LVM-3 launch vehicle. The Chandrayaan-3 lander successfully accomplished soft landing on 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2023 and subsequently the Rover was deployed. All the scientific instruments, onboard the lander and rover, have collected data, which is being studied. All the mission objectives of Chandrayaan-3 mission have been successfully accomplished.

# (c) & (d)

Yes Sir. Launch Services to other countries are offered onboard ISRO Launch Vehicles on a commercial basis through the M/s. NewSpace India Limited (NSIL) – the Central Public Sector Enterprise under Department of Space.

Further, ISRO also engages in joint development of satellites with foreign space agencies and launching the same. Recent examples include the India-Bhutan Satellite (launched in 2022) and other upcoming ones viz. the NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) satellite and TRISHNA (Thermal InfRared Imaging Satellite for High Resolution Natural Resource Assessment) being developed with CNES.

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