GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 583 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 06, 2023

IITians LEAVING ISRO

583. SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Space Research Organisation(ISRO) is not able to attract IITians because of its pay structureand if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of students who joined ISRO from IITs, IIMs and other Higher Educational Institutes in the last five years, year and institute-wise;
- (c) the main reasons due to which students from IITs, IIMs and other top Higher Educational Institutes are unwilling to join ISRO;
- (d) the number of IITians who have left ISRO in the last five years, year-wise; and
- (e) the entry level salary of a fresh engineering graduate from IIT in ISRO?

ANSWER

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

(a), (b) & (c)

Recruitment in ISRO/DOS of candidates with BE/B Tech/ME/M Tech qualification is conducted at 'PAN INDIA' level and students from several institutes across the country participate, including graduates/postgraduates from IITs. Typically applications for Scientist/Engineers, entry level posts is in the ratio of 1:1000 (approximately).

Number of candidates joining ISRO from IITs, IIMs & other higher educational institutions in last five years indicates sufficiently high numbers as expected.

- (d) Number of IITians who have left ISRO in last five years are comparable to candidates from other institutions.
- (e) The pay package for entry level ISRO engineer is as per Government norms.
