

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1094
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22/11/2019**

DEVELOPING OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1094. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether various State Governments have sent proposals to the Union Government regarding developing of Science and Technology (S&T) during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT/ year-wise;
- (c) the details of the proposals approved/rejected by the Union Government during the said period, State/ UT-wise;
- (d) the details of the proposals lying pending and the reasons for their pendency; and
- (e) the time by which the pending proposals are likely to be cleared by the Union Government?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE; MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; AND MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES
(DR. HARSH VARDHAN)**

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री; विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री; और पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

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(a) & (b): The Ministry of Science and Technology in the Union Government does not receive Research and Development (R&D) project proposals directly from the State Governments. The Union government under various schemes of the Ministry of Science & Technology supports Research and Development projects received from individual organisations (both Central and State) situated in the country, through competitive grant mechanism. These include support to Research and Development (R&D) laboratories and institutions for conducting Fundamental and Applied Research, support to Scientists and Researchers for investigator-centric research proposals, strengthening Science & Technology (S&T) infrastructure in Universities and Institutions of Higher Learning through Fund for Improvement of S&T Infrastructure (FIST) scheme, promoting S&T Entrepreneurship and innovation through Technology Business incubators, Technology Development & Demonstration as well as empowering women and disadvantaged sections of the society.

The Ministry is also implementing schemes through competitive grant mechanism in various States for establishment of common Research and Technology Development Hubs, Biotechnology parks and Industrial Biotechnology Parks.

(c) to (e): Does not arise.
