## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH

### LOK SABHA USTARRED QUESTION NO. 3121 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.12.2019

### SELF-FINANCE RESEARCH

### 3121. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated a plan of action for the transition of all laboratories under the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) from fully financed to "self-financing" bodies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the directive to self-finance research implies that the Government has an intent to reduce investment in scientific research and development in the subsequent budgets;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether there are any incentives and support that the Government has planned to achieve self-financing of research from CSIR, if so, the details thereof?

### **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 एवं प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री; तथा पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री (डॉ. हर्ष वर्धन)

(a)&(b) The leadership of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) during the Directors' Conference held at Dehradun in June 2015, resolved to develop technologies for National missions like Swachh Bharat, Swasthya Bharat, Skill India, Smart Cities, Digital India, Namami Ganga, etc.

During the meeting, CSIR also resolved to attempt for self-financing of laboratories. CSIR is supported by the Government for pursuing R&D activities, building and maintaining the desired R&D infrastructure as

well as ensuring national R&D human resource development. Besides the Government Budgetary Support (GBS), CSIR laboratories generate External Budgetary Resources (EBR) of about ₹ 1000 crore annually through undertaking projects in Grant-in-Aid mode (through competitive screening), patent licensing and technology transfer, contractual R&D activities and consultancy.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) No, Sir.

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