## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES LOK SABHA

### UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2584 TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 06, 2020

#### **NATIONAL LEVEL INSTITUTION**

#### 2584. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is formulating any scheme for expansion and development of national level institutions to promote earth sciences:
- (b) if so, whether any such Institution is proposed to be setup in Karnal, Haryana;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to bring technological advancement to enhance the efficacy of the warning systems of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

- (a) & (b) No Sir.
- (c) & (d) Yes Sir. Enhancing the efficacy of the warning system is a continuous process and the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) strives to bring-in the latest technological advancements so as to meet the benchmarks worldwide. Some of the proposals are:
  - Installation and commissioning of Doppler Weather Radars (DWRs) over NW Himalayas.
  - Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS) and Automatic Weather stations (AWS) for agromet/aviation weather services, tourism forecasts and some cities/schools.
  - Establishment of state-of the-art climate data centre with integrated advanced climate data services portal for rendering national and regional climate services.
  - Research and Development in Global/Regional modeling and Data Assimilation.
  - Setting up of District Agro Met Units (DAMU) and Agrometeorological advisory Services at block level.
  - Infrastructure development at the Research testbed site in Bhopal
  - HPC upgradation.
  - Strengthening of atmospheric observational network over NE India.

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