GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3656 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021 LAUNCH OF FOREIGN SATELLITES

3656. SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of foreign satellites launched by ISRO during the last ten years, year-wise;
- (b) the net revenue generated by launching of foreign satellites during this period, year-wise;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to increase the satellite (foreign) launch business of the country?

ANSWER

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

(a) Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) through its commercial arms has launched several foreign satellites on-board Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) on a commercial basis. It has launched 303 foreign satellites in the last 10 years. Year wise details of the number of foreign satellites launched from 2011 to 2020 is as indicated below:

Year	Total number of foreign satellites launched year wise
2011	2
2012	2
2013	6
2014	5
2015	17
2016	22
2017	130
2018	60
2019	50
2020	9

- (b) Net FE revenue earned through launching of 303 foreign satellites during 2011 -2020 amounts to 179 Million Euros and 7 Million USD.
- (c) DOS through its commercial arm, M/s. NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), a Government of India company, has already engaged with several foreign space agencies/ companies for launching their satellites into space, on a commercial basis, using Indian launch vehicles. In addition, NSIL through its participation in Global Space seminars, conferences and exhibitions has been creating awareness among the global space community with regard to the capabilities of Indian launch vehicles and its commercial competitiveness and has attracted many satellite manufacturing companies to utilize the Indian Launch Services and thereby increasing the satellite (foreign) launch business of the country.

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