

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3913
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2021)
CSIR COURSES**

3913. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

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

- (a) whether the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) is enrolling the students for awarding degrees for educational and teaching purpose;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the details of the Academy of Scientific and Innovation Research (ACSIR) scheme being run by CSIR?**

ANSWER

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

(a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Academy of Scientific and Innovation Research (AcSIR) is not a scheme run by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research.

The Academy of Scientific and Innovation Research is an Institution of National Importance, established through an Act of Parliament, “*The Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research Act, 2011*” (AcSIR Act, 2011).

Some of the major activities covered by the objectives of AcSIR include:

- (i) Dissemination of advanced knowledge in science and technology,**
- (ii) Teaching and research in inter-disciplinary areas and particularly in emerging areas of scientific studies;**
- (iii) Educating and training manpower in scientific and technological fields;**
- (iv) Promoting research in science and technology having a bearing on social, economic, cultural, intellectual and academic welfare of the people.**

Laboratories of CSIR function as Academic Centres for the students of AcSIR. Students are selected for various academic programs of AcSIR at different CSIR Laboratories as per AcSIR rules and are enrolled at AcSIR for award of their degrees. Ph.D. Degree in Science and Engineering constitute predominant academic program of AcSIR. The students pursue academic and research activities for the award of degrees under the guidance of the Scientists of CSIR, who are recognised as honorary Faculty of AcSIR.