

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1910
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.07.2021)
SELF-FINANCE RESEARCH

1910. 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 the reasons therefor;**
- (c) whether the Government intends to curtail spending on Scientific, Research and Development in future and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and**
- (d) whether there are any incentives and support formulated by his Ministry to achieve self-financing of research from CSIR?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)**

(a)&(b) Yes. 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 labs. CSIR is supported by the Government for pursuing R&D activities, building and maintaining the desired R&D infrastructure and national R&D human resource development. Besides the Government Budgetary Support (GBS), CSIR laboratories generate External Budgetary Resources (EBR) of about Rs 1600 crore annually through undertaking projects in Grant-in-Aid mode (through competitive screening), patent licensing and technology transfer, contract R&D activities and consultancy.

(c)&(d) No, Sir.
