Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Plastic Parks are set up by the Government;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government proposes to set up a plastic park in Darbhanga district of Bihar for innovative management of plastic waste/recycling and for employment generation at the grassroot/local level;
(d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be set up; and
(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER FOR CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.
Statement referred to in parts (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.284 for answer on 17.12.2021 regarding 'Setting up of Plastic Parks'.

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals implements the scheme for Setting up of Plastic Parks with an aim to develop an ecosystem with state-of-the-art infrastructure building and enabling common facilities through cluster development approach, to consolidate and synergize the capacities of the domestic downstream plastic processing Industry. Under the scheme, Government of India provides grant funding up to 50% of the project cost, subject to a ceiling of Rs. 40.00 crore per project. The remaining project cost is to be funded by the State Government, beneficiary industries and by loan from financial institutions.

So far, eight Plastic Parks have been approved and two are in the process of getting final approval. These Plastic parks are located in the States of Assam, Madhya Pradesh (two Plastic Parks), Odisha, Jharkhand, Tamil Nadu, Uttarakhand and Chhattisgarh currently in various stages of completion. The details of these Plastic Parks are as under:

1. **Madhya Pradesh (Tamot)**: The Plastic Park at Tamot has completed physical infrastructure and one unit is functional in the Plastic Park.

2. **Madhya Pradesh (Bilaua)**: The Plastic Park at Bilaua is at various stages of implementation.

3. **Odisha (Paradeep)**: The work related to development of physical infrastructure is almost completed.

4. **Jharkhand (Deoghar)**: The work related to development of physical infrastructure is in progress.

5. **Tamil Nadu (Thiruvallur)**: The work related to development of physical infrastructure is in progress.

6. **Assam (Tinsukia)**: The work related to development of physical infrastructure is in progress.

7. **Uttarakhand (Sitarganj)**: The Plastic Park at Sitarganj was approved on 3rd December, 2020 and currently the work related to development of physical infrastructure is in progress.
8. **Chhattisgarh (Sarora):** The Plastic Park in Raipur, Chhattisgarh has been approved recently on 13.04.2021 and the work is yet to start.

9. **Uttar Pradesh (Gorakhpur):** In-principle approval accorded.

10. **Karnataka (Ganjimutt, Mangaluru):** In-principle approval accorded.

(c) to (e) No, Sir. Since, no application has been received from the State Government for setting up a Plastic Park at Darbhanga, the Department could not take any action w.r.t. setting up a Plastic Park at Darbhanga, Bihar.

*****