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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3281

TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2022

SPECIAL SPACE PROGRAMMES

3281. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce special space programmes for the development of communication through which high speed communication network can be developed by sending more satellites to space;**
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to collaborate with the private sector for the said purpose; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG &

PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a), (b) & (c)

In order to meet the communication requirements of the country, three Indian High Throughput Satellites with 25 Gbps capacity are operational for providing broadband connectivity under BharatNet programme to Grampanchayats where adequate Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) connectivity is not available. One more High Throughput Satellite is under realization. Government has opened up space sector for participation of the private players as co-travelers so that they can build, own and operate satellites to meet the growing demands for satellite capacity in the country.
