

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4485

TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2022

INDIAN SPACE ASSOCIATION

4485. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched the Indian Space Association (ISpA) and if so, the details thereof and the aims and objectives behind the move;**
- (b) the details of reforms undertaken by the Government in space sector;**
- (c) whether the launch of ISPA is likely to boost private participation in space sector and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether India accounts for only 2% of the space economy in the global market front though having huge potential; and**
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to increase the global market share?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG &
PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE**

(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) ISpA is a voluntary association formed by Indian space industries and this will act as the advisory and advocacy group for the Space industry in India. ISpA will articulate industry views on space sector reforms which help them in guiding the space sector reform process so as have a vibrant and thriving space industry in India.**
- (b) As part of Space Reforms announced in June 2020, Government has opened up the sector for private industries participation to carry out end-to-end activities. The Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe) shall act as the agency to promote, handhold and authorize private sector activities in the sector, besides enabling sharing of technical facilities and expertise from ISRO.**

(c), (d) & (e)

With the operationalization of IN-SPACe, the progressively evolving regulatory environment and creation of space industries association in the form of ISpA, a greater private sector participation in end-to-end space activities is expected, which may result in increased share of India in the global space economy.
