

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2254
ANSWERED ON 12/03/2025**

**ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO ANUSANDHAN NATIONAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION**

†2254. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government allocates funds to Anusandhan National Research Foundation every year for research and development work;**
- (b) if so, the details of the funds allocated for research and development work during the last three years;**
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to promote the research and innovation through the private sector at the practical level;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for promoting indigenous research and development by providing proper resources and financial assistance to the scientists and researchers in their bids to carve out a niche at the global forum?**

ANSWER

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

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी तथा पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)
(डॉ. जितेंद्र सिंह)

(a) to (b): The Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF) has been established through an Act of Parliament, namely ANRF Act, 2023. The provisions of the ANRF Act, 2023 came into force on February 05, 2024. For FY 2024-25, ANRF was allocated (RE) Rs. 966 crore.

(c) to (d): Several programmes were formulated for implementation by ANRF which include those for global positioning of India in key sectors; driving scientific advances and innovation ecosystem; and also, for

promoting the research and innovation through the private sector. ANRF has recently launched an Electric Vehicle (EV) Mobility Programme under the Mission for Advancement in High-impact Areas (MAHA) to address priority-driven, solution-focused research in mission mode that would catalyse multi-institutional, multi-disciplinary and multi-investigator collaboration with close collaboration with industry. The industry partner is mandated to provide part/partial funding in cash or kind towards the successful execution of the project. At least 10% of the proposed project cost must be supported by an Industry/industries in cash.

(e) Several programmes have been formulated for promoting indigenous research and development in the country. This includes the launch of the Prime Minister Early Career Research Grant (PMECRG) scheme and MAHA Programme of ANRF. By supporting early-career scientists, the PMECRG will play a pivotal role in advancing scientific research, enabling recipients to undertake independent and impactful research in the direction of promoting indigenous research and development. The MAHA-EV Mission initiative focuses on developing indigenous capabilities in the Indian eco-system to meet the current technological requirements and doing cutting edge advanced research. ANRF also formulated programmes for Transforming Institutions to Global Standards; Translational Research; Basic Research Promotion etc. These schemes ensure providing proper resources and financial assistance to the scientists and researchers in their bids to carve out a niche at the global forum.
