GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4006 ANSWERED ON 25.03.2025

SETTING UP OF PANCHAYATI RAJ RESEARCH INSTITUTE

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Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Panchayati Raj System was first introduced in Nagaur, Rajasthan in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up a national level Panchayati Raj Research Institute in Nagaur to strengthen the Panchayati Raj System; and
- (c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ

(PROF. S. P. SINGH BAGHEL)

- (a) As per information available with the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, the system of Panchayati Raj was first implemented in the State of Rajasthan on 2nd October, 1959 at Nagaur.
- (b) No, Sir
- (c) At the national level, the National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR), located in Hyderabad, serves as an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India. Renowned as a premier center of excellence in rural development and Panchayati Raj, NIRD&PR plays a pivotal role in advancing initiatives and research in these areas. To further strengthen the rural development institutional network across the country, NIRD&PR offers guidance and support to 28 State Institutes of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, including one institute located in Jaipur, Rajasthan.
