

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1685
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.12.2025**

MEASUREMENT OF KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY

1685. SHRI EATALA RAJENDER:

SHRI CHAMALA KIRAN KUMAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated steps to develop the framework for measuring the knowledge economy and conducted a half-day brainstorming workshop and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the brainstorming workshop focused on developing a taxonomy of knowledge products and identifying potential quantitative indicators data sources for measuring the contribution of these knowledge products and services to the GDP and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the workshop also stressed upon the challenges in capturing the contribution of indigenous and traditional knowledge items to the knowledge economy and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether a group of experts from various domains would help in developing a robust framework for measuring knowledge economy; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the present status of funds sanctioned and spent?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE [RAO INDERJIT SINGH]

(a) to (c): With a view to develop a framework for measuring the knowledge economy, a brainstorming workshop was held on 30th September 2025 involving the participation from representatives of

concerned Central Government Ministries/ Departments, academia, research, industry and policy think tanks. The workshop deliberated, *inter alia*, on developing a possible taxonomy of knowledge products, including from traditional knowledge, as well as the data sources and challenges in quantifying different components of the knowledge economy.

(d) to (e): A Technical Advisory Group (TAG) has also been formed to identify key components of knowledge economy, recommend methodologies for valuing knowledge-based economic activities and for linking knowledge economy indicators with other macro-economic and social indicators, etc. The amount spent so far is limited to only the operational expenses incurred on the conduct of the brainstorming sessions and the TAG meeting.

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