

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1783
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2015)**

DELAY IN APPOINTMENTS IN CSIR

**1783. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:
SHRI NANA PATOLE:**

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

- (a) whether the country's scientific agency Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) has been functioning without a formal Head for more than a year and if so, the reasons therefor;**
- (b) whether the absence of a permanent Head for so long has affected the functioning of the premier scientific body and if so, the steps taken by the Government to fill up the post;**
- (c) whether the issue related to not appointing Heads in 17 national laboratories out of 38 National Laboratories of CSIR has come to light and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the reasons for delay being caused in appointment of Heads of such laboratories; and**
- (e) the action taken by the Government for the appointment of Heads of these laboratories?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES

(SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY)

- (a)&(b) No Madam.**
- (c) Yes Madam, out of 37(not 38), 14 posts of Head of National laboratories of CSIR are vacant at present.**
- (d) In some cases suitable candidates could not be found for the posts.**
- (e) Necessary steps for expeditious selection to these vacant positions have already been taken.**
