# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA <br> MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY <br> DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY <br> LOK SABHA <br> UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 591 <br> TO BE ANSWERED ON 02/12/2015 <br> SRF AND JRF UNDER VARIOUS PROJECTS 

## 591. SHRI SULTAN AHMED:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री
be pleased to state:
(a) whether the Senior Research Fellows (SRFs) and Junior Research Fellows (JRFs) taken under various projects have come down over the years;
(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor during each of the last three years and the current year;
(c) whether the Government has not issued notification for SRFs granted by Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR);
(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
(e) the details and number of fellowships funded by the CSIR during each of the last three years and the current year?

## ANSWER

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI.Y. S. CHOWDARY)

 विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री(श्री वाई. एस. चौधरी)
(a) \& (b): No Madam. Senior Research Fellows (SRFs) and Junior Research Fellows (JRFs) taken under various projects funded by the Ministry of Science \& Technology have not come down over the years. The number of fellows working in these projects in the last three years and the current year are given below:

| Financial Year | Number of SRF \& JRF |
| :--- | :--- |
| $2012-13$ | $\mathbf{1 6 8 8}$ |
| $2013-14$ | $\mathbf{1 7 0 0}$ |
| $2014-15$ | $\mathbf{1 7 1 0}$ |
| $2015-16$ (Till November, 2015) | $\mathbf{8 0 4}$ |

(c) \& (d): Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) has issued notification for SRFs in the "Employment News" dated November 14-20, 2015 and is also available on CSIR website: www.csirhrdg.res.in.
(e) Even though the project based fellowships have not come down, the number of direct fellowships given by CSIR has shown decline over the years. The details during the last three years and current year are given below:

| Financial Year | Number of fellowships |
| :--- | :---: |
| $2012-13$ | 3388 |
| $2013-14$ | $\mathbf{3 1 7 7}$ |
| $2014-15$ | 2690 |
| $2015-16$ (Till November, 2015) | $\mathbf{1 1 6 6}$ |

