GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.125

TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2016

LAUNCH OF IRNSS-1E

- 125. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

 Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has launched the fifth (IRNSS-1E) navigation satellite in the Indian Regional Navigation Satellite system;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which this navigation system will be fully operational;
- (d) whether some countries have shown interest for cooperation in developing satellite navigation system; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) Yes Madam.
- (b) IRNSS-1E, the fifth navigation satellite in IRNSS constellation of 7 satellites, was successfully launched onboard Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle 'PSLV-C31' on January 20, 2016 from Satish Dhawan Space Centre SHAR, Sriharikota.

- (c) The space segment comprising of 7 navigation satellites will be in place by first half of 2016.
- (d)&(e) The discussions with Russia are underway to locate suitable Ground support system for enhancing the utility of navigation.
