GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4040

TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2016

EDUSAT

4040. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the satellite placed in orbit exclusively for the education sector, EDUSAT has achieved its desired objectives;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether any agreements have been signed with any country for the launch of more such satellites from India; and
- (d) if so, the details in this regard?

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) The Edusat satellite was planned for demonstrating the capabilities of satellite communication technology for education sector. The satellite was launched in

September 2004 and supported the educational services till October 2010. During this period, 83 tele-education networks connecting about 5000 interactive and about 55000 receive only terminals were established and many educational transmission experiments were demonstrated using satellite communication networks. After October 2010, the tele-education networks are migrated to other communication satellites like INSAT-3C, INSAT-4CR and GSAT-12.

- (c) No Madam.
- (d) Does not arise.
