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

- (a) whether a three day seminar on the study of the Indian Ocean and related monsoon pattern in the Pacific and Antarctic Ocean was held recently?
- (b) if so, the details in this regard?
- (c) whether this was the first time that India hosted the Pacific Ocean Remote sensing Conference?
- (d) if so, the number of scientists from India and abroad who participated in the seminar; and
- (e) the points discussed there and the decisions arrived at?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT)

- (a & b) Yes Sir. A Pacific Ocean Remote Sensing Conference (PORSEC) was held at Goa from 5-8 December 2000 wherein experts in Satellite Oceanography from different countries participated.
- (c) Yes Sir.
- (d) Around 200 participants including 80 from India participated and 180 scientific papers were presented.
- (e) The Conference provided a global platform for exchange of knowledge on diverse aspects of satellite oceanography and sharing of experience amongst scientists. It was decided to rename PORSEC as PAN OCEAN Remote Sensing Conference henceforth.