

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether a pool for a temporary placement of Indian Scientists and Technologists is functioning at present;
- (b) if so, the details of its activities;
- (c) whether it is proposed to set up a pool for permanent placement of our scientists;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER FOR HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a)&(b): Yes Sir. CSIR is operating a Scientists Pool Scheme since 1958 which offers financial assistance to highly qualified unemployed scientists, Engineers and Medical Professionals, within the age limit of 40 years, by way of Senior Research Associateship for a period of upto 3 years. Under the scheme applications for grant of Associateship are received round the year at the Division for Scientific and Technical Personnel (DSTP) under the HRD Group of CSIR. There are seven duly constituted committees one each in the disciplines of Medical Sciences; Engineering and Technology; Mathematics; Life Sciences; Physics; Chemistry and Earth Sciences. The committees meet at regular intervals. The award of Associateship to the eligible persons is made on the basis of the recommendations of the concerned committee.

(c) No sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The objective of the scheme is not to provide permanent placement but offer a temporary placement to such scientists, who are on the look out for regular employment in Government, industry etc.