

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2346
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WEBSITE BY NISCOM CSIR
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the 22nd Research Council minutes of National Institute of Science Communication (a constituent establishment of CSIR) states that a brochure giving information has already been put on the World Web through IDRC's Singapore office ;
- (b) whether NISCOM launched a Website during September 2000; and
- (c) if so, the total amount incurred for the said web site and the fate of the earlier web site in detail ?

Answer

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

(a) : Yes Sir , however, NISCOM resigned from AHEAD, the IDRC project, in 1999, therefore, now NISCOM has no association with this website.

(b) : Yes Sir, in pursuance of the Government of India policy whereby all Government Departments /institutions/organisations/Autonomous Bodies are expected to maintain and update their website for the use by public, NISCOM launched its website on 20.9.2000 with its own in-house effort .

(c) : The payments made to NIC, Government of India for hosting the NISCOM website are as follows :

September 2000 to August 2001	Rs. 40,000/-
September 2001 to August 2002	Rs. 53,000/-