

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4951
ANSWERED ON:20.12.2002
ASSISTANCE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY FACILITATION CENTRE
V.S. SIVAKUMAR

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have sanctioned the financial assistance sought by the Keltron to accelerate functioning of KIPRO Keltron Intellectual Property Facilitation Centre at Trivandrum;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the time by which decision on this report is likely to be taken?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There is presently no scheme in this Department to provide financial assistance in the form sought by the applicant. As a part of awareness creation activities and outreach initiatives, this Department assists organizations in developing awareness about intellectual property rights, including patents. The assistance is in the form of faculty support and information material available.