## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

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

(a) whether a workshop of Scientists and Technologists including experts in Information Technology was held in April to evolve an action plan for the accelerated development of the backward areas of Uttarakhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the strategies adopted thereat?

## Answer

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

(a) & (b): Sir, a Workshop on the `Role of Science and Technology in the Integrated Development of Uttarakhand` was held during April 21-23, 2000 at Kosi-Katarmal, Almora. Several experts and representatives of various Central and State agencies participated in the Workshop. The Workshop covered four themes, namely,

(i) Georesources,

(ii) Bioresources,

(iii) Infrastructure and Technological Interventions and

(iv) Socio-economic Aspects. As a follow-up, the Department of Science and Technology has recently set up a Steering Committee to evolve a Mission Mode Project based on the recommendations of the said Workshop and suggest ways and means for inter-sectoral coordination and resource mobilisation.