GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SPACE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6 ANSWERED ON:23.11.2005 SETTING UP OF SEMI CONDUCTOR FABRICATION CENTRES Nayak Smt. Archana

Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to set up semi-conductor fabrication centres in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the financial support likely to be provided by the Government for this project; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Semiconductor Complex Limited (SCL) was set up at Mohali, in the Public Sector by the Government in the year 1978. This facility has been transferred from the Department of Information Technology (DIT) to Department of Space (DOS) on 01.03.2005, and presently it is the objective of the Department to augment it to serve national requirements for critical applications. As of now, while Government has no plans to set up Semiconductor Fabrication Centres in India, Government is encouraging industries to set up the same in the country.