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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS OF TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of proposals forwarded by the Government of Tamil Nadu to Union Government regarding setting up of Science and Technology Projects during the last two years;
- (b) the number of proposals approved and rejected with reasons for rejection; and
- (c) the number of proposals which are lying pending with the Union Government and the steps being taken to clear them?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES (KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) No proposal has been forwarded by the Government of Tamil Nadu to the Union Government regarding setting up of Science & Technology projects during the last two years. However, the Ministry of Science & Technology in the Union Government has provided support to scientific research proposals received from research & development institutions, universities, voluntary organisations, state science and technology councils and other autonomous organisations in various states including the State of Tamil Nadu. According to available official statistics, the Union Government has funded 234 and 289 research and development projects at a total cost of Rs. 43.06 crores and Rs. 48.05 crores during the years 2003-04 and 2004-05 respectively in the State of Tamil Nadu.

(b & c): Do not arise.