GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the initiatives Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) achievement of in the field of rural development during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the aspects of rural development receiving maximum attention in view of these achievements/researches by CSIR; and
- (c) the achievement of CSIR in mobilizing basic facilities in rural areas and improving the living standards of rural people?

Answer

MINSTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES(KAPIL SIBAL)

(a), (b) & (c) CSIR is an R&D organization and is involved in development of improved and new S&T outputs viz. know-how and technologies.CSIR is directly not involved in the field of rural development. However, the S&T outputs and technologies developed by CSIR could be utilized for employment and income generation in rural areas also. Information about such developments carried out during last three and the current years is enclosed as Annexure-I.