GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SPACE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2076 ANSWERED ON:10.03.2010 DEVELOPING GSLV MK III Majhi Shri Pradeep Kumar

Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to upgrade and develop GSLV Mk III;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the funds allocated for the Chandrayaan-II Mission during the current financial year?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, MINISTRY OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS, MINISTRY OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTRY OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is presently developing its heaviest launch vehicle, the GSLV Mark III that will have the capability to carry 4 tonne class Communication Satellite into Geo-synchronous Transfer Orbit. The capability of the presently available GSLV is for carrying 2 tonne class satellite into similar orbit.

(c) A sum of Rs.14.00 Crores has been allocated for initiating development-related activities for the Chandrayaan-II Mission during the current financial year.