GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SPACE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:957 ANSWERED ON:03.03.2010 PAYLOADS FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES Rajesh Shri M. B.

Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any payloads from foreign countries were carried in Chandrayan-I;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether these payloads were carried free of cost; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

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) 5 Payloads from foreign countries were carried in Chandrayaan-I. They are Near Infra Red Spectrometer & Sub Kev Atom Reflecting Analyser from Sweden, Radiation Dose Monitor Experiment from Bulgaria and Miniature Synthetic Aperture Radar & Moon Mineralogy Mapper from USA.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) These payloads were selected for carrying onboard Chandrayaan-I based on an International Announcement of Opportunity and their scientific merit.