

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT BOARD
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Technology Development Board has supported over 233 projects providing Rs. 1052 crores with a capital outlay of Rs. 3500 crores upto March, 2010;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the action plan in this regard for the remaining period of Eleventh Plan, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS; AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS. (PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a): Yes, Madam. Technology Development Board (TDB) since its inception in 1996 has supported a total of 233 projects providing 1052.02 crores with a capital outlay of 3412.15 crores including 6 projects of Venture Funds and 10 projects of Science and Technology Entrepreneurs Parks – Technology Business Incubators (STEPs-TBIs) upto March, 2010.

(b): State-wise details are given in the attached Annexure.

(c): Technology Development Board does not prepare State-wise action plan or allocates money for supporting projects based on State-wise classification. Individual proposals, received from various promoters through a nation wide call, are assessed and evaluated for their innovation content and potential. Projects are supported on technical merits. For the years 2010-11 and 2011-12 an outlay of 260.00 crores has been made for the projects already sanctioned and more resources will be earmarked if new proposals meeting the innovation benchmarks of TDB are received.