

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:315
ANSWERED ON:01.12.2010
PATENT FACILITATION
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated, sanctioned and utilised under the Technology Development Programme including Patent Facilitating Centres/Cells, during the last two years and the current year, head-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up a Patent Facilitating Fund;
- (c) if so, the details and the main objectives thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has reviewed the likely impact on the domestic trade as a result of such centres/Fund; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT; MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES; AND MINISTER OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY(KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT AS REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.315 FOR 01.12.2010 REGARDING 'PATENT FACILITATION'.

(a) Technology Development Programme of Department of Science & Technology includes the activities like Inter Sector S&T Advisory Council (IS-STAC), Technology Development & Transfer(TDT), Solar Energy Research Initiative (SERI), National Mission on Climate Change, Fly Ash, National Good Laboratory Practice Compliance Monitoring Authority (GLP), Patent Facilitating Cell (PFC), Disaster Management Cell/Geo Spatial Applications, National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI), National Resources Data Management System (NRDMS). The funds allocated, sanctioned and utilized for the Technology Development Programme including Patent Facilitating Cell during the last two years and the current year is as given below:

(` in crores)

Financial Year	Funds Allocated	Funds Sanctioned	Funds Utilized
2008-09	35.00	43.00	43.00
2009-10	50.00	50.00	49.99
2010-11 (current year) (upto November)	100.00	100.00	55.11

With regard to head-wise distribution of budget to the above activities including Patent Facilitating Cell is concerned, the annual budget provisions of Technology Development Programme are distributed internally to above activities based on the requirements and the fund availability.

(b) No, Madam.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) & (e): No, Madam.