

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3390
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MISSING PICTURES OF MOON MISSION
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the picture of '69 Moon Mission goes missing from the research lab;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has constituted a committee for investigation in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the outcome therefor; and
- (e) the action taken/proposed to be taken against the officials found guilty in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (INDEPENDENT CHARGES), PMO, PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

- (a) & (b) A photograph of the 1969 moon mission given to the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), an Autonomous Institution under the administrative control of the Department of Atomic Energy, on the occasion of the visit of the American astronauts is currently untraceable.
- (c) & (d)&(e) TIFR has constituted a committee to investigate into this matter. Report of the committee is awaited.