

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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POLICY FOR DATA SHARING
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is proposing a Policy on Data Sharing for data generated at the cost of the exchequer;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the current status of formulation of the policy;
- (c) whether the data is likely to cover the status of funds allocated and released to State Governments and their utilization by the State Governments under the Centrally sponsored schemes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) The National Data Sharing and Accessibility Policy (NDSAP) is designed so as to apply to all sharable non-sensitive data available either in digital or analog forms but generated using public funds by various Ministries/Departments/Subordinate offices/organizations/ agencies of Government of India. The NDSAP is designed to promote data sharing and enable access to Government of India owned data for national planning and development.

(c)&(d): The National Data Sharing and Accessibility Policy will apply to all data and information created, generated, collected and archived using public funds provided by Government of India directly or through authorized agencies by various Ministries/Departments/Organizations/ Agencies and Autonomous bodies.