

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SPACE
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THIRD LAUNCHPAD AT SRIHARIKOTA
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to develop a third launchpad at Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is also considering to launch atleast 60 missions over the next five years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY PERSONNEL, PG & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY):

- (a) & (b) Preliminary studies for establishing the third launch pad at Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota are underway to meet the requirements of Indian Space Research Organisation's (ISRO's) future launch vehicle programme.
- (c) & (d) The 12th Five year plan proposals of Department of Space, which is currently under consideration for approval, envisages launching of total of 58 missions consisting of 33 satellite missions and 25 launch vehicle missions.