

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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POLICY ON 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 of 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 said policy;
- (c) whether the data will cover the status of funds allocated, released and utilised in various States for 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) & (b): Yes Madam. The National Data Sharing and Accessibility Policy 2012 (NDSAP 2012) has already been formulated and approved by the Government. Data owning departments of the Government of India have accorded one year to upload sharable data and declare negative list, if any. The NDSAP limits the scope to India generated by the Central Government and sharable data.

(c) & (d): Yes Madam. The objective of the NDSAP 2012 is to facilitate the access to Government of India owned sharable data and information. The policy will apply to all data and information created generated, collected and archived using public funds provided by Government of India directly and through authorised agencies.