GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4421 ANSWERED ON:20.12.2012 AWARDING OF RESEARCH CONTRACTS Rawat Shri Ashok Kumar

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of research contracts awarded to advisors, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), education and research organisations by the Government during each of the last three years;

(b) whether the research contracts have been uploaded on the website;

(c) if not, the reasons therefore; and

(d) the criteria adopted to award such contracts?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a): The details of research contracts awarded to advisors, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), education and research organisations by the Government during each of the last three years is as under:

S.No. Name of the Institute Title of the Project Year

- 1 Projects & Development Use of spent High 2009-10 India Limited (PDIL), Temperature Shift Noida (UP) Conversion Catalyst as raw material for preparation of fresh High Temperature Shift Catalyst
- 2 PDIL, Noida (UP) Chlorine Guard Catalyst 2010-11 for protection of Low Temperature Shift Conversion Catalyst
- 3 PDIL, Noida (UP) Use of Spent Low Temperature 2010-11 Shift Conversion Catalyst for preparation of Fresh Low Temperature Shift Catalyst
- 4 PDIL, Noida (UP) Use of Spent Nickel Catalyst 2011-12 for preparation of Fresh Nickel Catalyst

(b) & (c): Yes, research contracts have been uploaded on the website of the Department.

(d): The criteria adopted to award such contracts is as under:

Project proposals in the identified areas are to be called for through an open advertisement in the leading newspapers from reputed technical institutes all over India including IITs, NITs and other Regional Engineering Institutes, having good track record in chemical engineering etc. For final selection for funding, received proposals have to pass through two different channels. In the first stage, proposals are placed before the Project Screening Committee chaired by Economic Adviser for technical viability of the project proposals. In the second stage, the proposals appraised and screened by the Screening Committee, are to be put up before the Project Approval Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Fertilizers) for final approval.