

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDING FOR R & D  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of funds released by the Government under research and development funding scheme during the last three years and the current year. State-wise;
- (b) the details of funds utilized and the funds remain unutilized by each State Governments during the above period, State-wise;
- (c) the details of results / objectives achieved by the Government during the said period:
- (d) whether the Government is satisfied with the results achieved so far; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(SHRI MILIND DEORA)

(a) to (e): There is no State-based R&D funding scheme in the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.

The Ministry has supported R&D at various academic and R&D institutions directly without the involvement of the State governments in the areas of Electronics, Communications and Information Technology.

The Working Groups (set up by the Ministry, consisting of experts) in various relevant domains review the respective project proposals. Based on the recommendations of the Working Groups, projects are initiated. The projects initiated are reviewed and monitored at regular intervals by Project Review and Steering Groups set up for this purpose. Based on the review, the next installment of the R&D grant is released. Any unspent balance is deducted from the next installment of the grant due.