

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3127  
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DEVELOPMENT OF S & T IN MAHARASHTRA  
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**Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the State Government of Maharashtra has sent any proposal to the Union Government for the development of Science and Technology in the State during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise;
- (c) the action taken by the Government on each of the proposals; and
- (d) the funds allocated and released to Maharashtra for the said purpose during the last three years and the current year?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCE; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS; AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) No, Madam. However, the Ministry of Science and Technology in the Union Government provides support to scientific research proposals received from research and development institutions, universities, voluntary organizations, state science and technology councils and other autonomous organizations in various states including the State of Maharashtra. According to available official statistics, the Union Government has funded 448, 382 & 350 numbers of research and development projects at a total cost of Rs.191.21 crores, Rs.132.77 crores & Rs.148.50 crores during the years 2005-06, 2006-07 & 2007-08 respectively in the State of Maharashtra.

(b) to (d): Do not arise.