

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2767  
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JNTBGRI  
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**Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Department of Biotechnology has made any evaluation regarding the takeover of Jawahar Lal Nehru Tropical Botanic Gardens Research Institute (JNTBGRI);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the status of the proposal; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard and the time by which it is likely to be done?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES (DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

(a) to (d) No Sir, the Department of Biotechnology has not made any evaluation regarding the takeover of the Jawaharlal Nehru Tropical Botanic Garden and Research Institute (JNTBGRI). However, an evaluation has been done to provide financial support to JNTBGRI on sustained basis in the background of the strength and opportunities of the institute. Accordingly, a proposal on Programme based support to JNTBGRI is being developed. The same will be considered on its scientific merit.