

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Shortage of Qualified Scientists

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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a shortage of qualified scientists for undertaking research and development work in various research institutions/laboratories in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether a number of scientists in various research institutions/laboratories under the Government have resigned to join more remunerative positions in the private sector;
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the number of scientists who have resigned to join private sector during each of the last three years and the current year, year and institutions-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to retain such scientists in the Government institutions/laboratories?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES
(SHRI.Y. S. CHOWDARY)

(a) & (b): No Madam. There is no shortage of qualified scientists for research and development in various research institutions/laboratories under various departments of the Ministry of Science and Technology.

(c) to (e): The egression of scientists from various research institutions/laboratories under the Ministry of Science and Technology to join remunerable position in private sector has not been significant to allow for specific steps to be taken to prevent their migration.
