GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1512 ANSWERED ON:04.03.2015 INNOVATION COMPLEXES OF CSIR Maganti Shri Murali Mohan

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

- (a) whether the Government/Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) is planning to set up Innovation Complexes in various locations of the country including Visakhapatnam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total funds allocated for these complexes under the Twelfth Five Year Plan period, State-wise;
- (c) the present status of setting up of Innovation Complexes in various locations including Visakhapatnam and the reasons for delay, if any, in this regard; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to expedite the work?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Madam. The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) has a plan in place for setting up innovation complexes at some strategic locations in the country.
- (b),(c)&(d) The setting up of CSIR Innovation Complexes at Chennai, Kolkata and Mumbai is in progress. The CSIR Innovation Complexes will take up translational research and partner with industry, academia and R&D institutions in the region of their operation and catalyze innovation eco-system. The funds allocated, state-wise, for the Innovation Complexes so far has been:

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(R.in lakh)
Year West Tamil Maharashtra Telengana
Bengal Nadu (erstwhile Andhra
Pradesh)
2011-12 324.00 369.34 - -
2012-13 38.14 430.66 242.74 -
2013-14 931.44 2040.00 1474.07 783.345
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The budget allocation for the CSIR Innovation Complexes Scheme for FY 2014-15 (RE) is 1000.00 lakh and for 2015-16 (BE) is 6300.00 lakh. The effort, being capital intensive, has been planned stepwise. The progress depends upon availability of requisite funds during the 12th Five Year Plan period.