

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to commence startup villages to help new entrepreneurs in different parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, location-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE; AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS; (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

(a), (b) & (c): The Hon'ble Finance Minister in his Budget Speech on 10th July 2014 has proposed to setup Start Up Village Entrepreneurship Programme for encouraging rural youth to take up local entrepreneurship programs for which an initial sum of Rs.100 crore has been provided for. The subject matter is being dealt by the Ministry of Rural Development.