

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1752

ANSWERED ON:03.12.2014

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

Patil Shri Kapil Moreshwar

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

- (a) whether India is way behind other developing countries in the matter of research publications;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No Madam. According to the Department of Science and Technology (DST) commissioned study 2012, India's research publications, during the last decade, remained far ahead of many developing countries such as Brazil, South Africa and Iran etc. It surpassed countries like Russia in 2005, Australia and Korea in 2007.

(c) The Government has taken various measures for the promotion and growth of scientific research in the country. These measures include successive increase in plan allocations for Scientific Departments, setting up of new institutions for science education and research, creation of centres of excellence for research and facilities in emerging and frontline Science and Technology (S&T) areas in academic and national institutes, establishment of new and attractive fellowships, strengthening infrastructure for Research and Development (R&D) in universities, encouraging public-private R&D partnerships, recognition of R&D units and national awards for outstanding R&D for industries etc.