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Title: The Minister of Science and Technology and Minister of Earth, Sciences laid a statement regarding Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 247<sup>th</sup> Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2013-14), pertaining to the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology.

THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): I beg to lay the Statement on the status of implementation by the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology on the recommendations in the Two Hundred Forty seventh (247<sup>th</sup>) Report of the Departmentally Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests regarding Demands for Grants (2013-2014) in pursuance of Direction 73A of the hon. Speaker, Lok Sabha.

The Department Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests laid their Two Hundred Forty Seventh (247<sup>th</sup>) Report on 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2013 in the Lok Sabha. The present status of implementation is detailed in the appended Annexure which may be allowed to be laid on the Table of the House.

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