

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2380
ANSWERED ON 09.03.2021

**NATIONAL AUTOMOTIVE TESTING RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT
INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT**

2380. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES भारी उद्योग एवं लोक उद्यम मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Research and Development Centres approved under the National Automotive Testing Research & Development Infrastructure Project (NATRIP);

(b) the details regarding their operational status and if any centre is currently not operational, the proposed timeline to become operational; and

(c) the details of the funds sanctioned and released for each of the proposed R&D centres, since the inception of the scheme, year-wise?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)**

(a): The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved National Automotive Testing and R&D Infrastructure Project (NATRIP) in 2005 with an aim to set up total five (5) numbers of greenfield Research & Development Centers and up-gradation of two (2) existing centre. Further, CCEA while approving the Revised Cost Estimate (RCE-II) in July 2016, directed that facilities envisaged at one of greenfield centre i.e. National Center for Vehicle Research & Safety (NCVRS), Rae Bareli to be adjusted to other NATRIP centers. The centers are as below:

- i. International Centre for Automotive Technology (ICAT) Manesar, Haryana
- ii. Global Automotive Research Centre (GARC) Oragadam, Chennai, TamilNadu
- iii. National Automotive Test Tracks (NATRAX) Pithampur-Indore, Madhya Pradesh in central India
- iv. National Institute for Automotive Inspection Maintenance and Training (NIAIMT) at Silchar, Assam.

Upgraded Centres:

- i. Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI) Pune.
- ii. Vehicle Research and Development Establishment (VRDE).

(b): All centers are operational and catering services to Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEMs) and Industries for homologation, R & D and certification.

(c): The total approved sanction project Cost of NATRIP is Rs. 3727.30 Crore out of which Rs. 3541.60 Crore has been released to NATRIP till date. The details of the funds sanctioned and released for each of the proposed R&D centers, since the inception i.e. 2005 of the scheme, year wise as per Audited Annual Accounts of NATRIP till financial year 2019-20 is placed at ANNEXURE-I.

ANNEXURE-I

		Rs. in Crore						
Year	Grant Received (including loan, user charges and internal accruals etc.)/ Fund Sanctioned	Site wise project expenditure/released as per Audited Annual Report						
		ICAT	GARC	NATRAX	ARAI	VRDE	NIAIMT	NCVRS
2005-06	182.33	-			21.88	31.75		
2006-07	130.00	-		18.07	12.00	7.00	13.90	
2007-08	-	-	8.84	1.13	0.36	2.73	13.58	
2008-09	125.00	48.65	23.32	9.33	(12.29)	0.85	13.81	
2009-10	145.59	64.05	95.85	9.73	24.11	1.35	6.90	
2010-11	232.14	63.07	129.31	13.55	17.41	-	14.19	1.93
2011-12	355.38	53.04	47.66	45.26	8.23	-	10.16	-
2012-13	341.94	88.84	43.64	25.00	48.68	-	5.33	4.52
2013-14	-	167.95	55.29	27.26	77.25	2.97	2.30	42.21
2014-15	241.91	166.86	75.04	26.95	52.67	-	(18.84)	1.38
2015-16	-	114.87	163.29	205.48	23.36	-	0.54	0.29
2016-17	676.07	47.55	71.68	120.97	2.70	(0.63)	0.31	0.04
2017-18	316.79	45.21	86.37	156.70	11.38	-	0.05	(36.52)
2018-19	417.72	55.81	64.37	262.64	12.77	-	-	-
2019-20	259.23	14.83	73.03	246.15	(4.62)	-	2.00	-
Liquidity Damage (internal accruals)	3.20							
Total	3,427.30	930.71	937.70	1,168.22	295.88	46.02	64.23	13.85

Note: figure showing in () are negative value/refund.
