

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3167

TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2025

PROGRESS MADE UNDER THE INDIAN SPACE POLICY 2023

3167. SHRI KARTIKEYA SHARMA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress made in implementing the Indian Space Policy 2023, particularly the number of private entities authorized by IN-SPACe to undertake space activities as of 2025, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has assessed the impact of privatizing operational space systems on ISRO's research focus and Indian's share in the global space economy, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any initiatives have been taken or proposed to support small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and startups in Haryana in accessing space technology and funding, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) IN-SPACe has issued 77 authorizations till date. Out of which 53 authorizations are for NGE activities and the remaining 24 authorizations are for ISRO space activities.

The category of authorizations includes Undertaking Orbital/Sub-Orbital Launches from Indian Territory, establishment and operation of satellites, establishment and operation of ground stations, Hosted Payloads, Dissemination of Primary Data pertaining to Indian Territory and of ≤ 30 cm GSD (Ground Sampling Distance), Authorization for non-Indian GSO and/or NGSO satellite/constellation to enable provisioning of its capacity in India for communication services.

- (b) The space sector has been opened up for enhanced participation of private sector in end-to-end space activities, which would further widen the technical capabilities in the nation and enhanced collaborations. As per the Indian Space Policy-2023, ISRO shall transit out from the existing practice of being present in the manufacturing of operational space systems. This will make a positive impact on ISRO to focus on R&D in advanced technology, proving newer systems and realization of space objects for meeting national prerogatives.

IN-SPACe has also brought out the decadal vision and strategy for Indian space economy, as per this it is expected to achieve the 8% of the world space economy in the year 2033.

- (c) IN-SPACe has devised various schemes to support the SMEs and start-ups in space sector across India (**not specifically for a state**) viz.:

1. IN-SPACe Seed Fund Scheme for start-ups and SMEs
2. Pricing support policy for facilitation
3. Transfer of technology
4. Mentorship Support
5. Technology Adoption fund
