

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEPARTMENT OF SPACE**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.958**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2013**

**BUDGET FOR SPACE RESEARCH**

**958. SHRI MANICKA TAGORE:**

**Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the financial allocation for space research in our country is very low in comparison to other developing countries;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the budget allocation made by the Government for space research in the last three years along with its percentage to India's GDP in each year;**
- (d) whether there is any proposal to increase the budgetary allocations; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reason therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG &  
PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE  
(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY):**

- (a) No, Sir. The financial allocation for space research in our country compares well to that of other developing countries.**

- (b) **Does not arise.**
- (c) **The budgetary allocations made for space research and technology, which includes Space Technology, Space Sciences, Space Applications, Directions & Administration and INSAT Operational systems in the last three years along with its percentage to India's GDP in each year are given below:**

| <b>Financial Year</b> | <b>Budget Allocated (Rs. In crores)</b> | <b>Percentage to India's GDP</b> |
|-----------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| <b>2010-11</b>        | <b>5778.04</b>                          | <b>0.074%</b>                    |
| <b>2011-12</b>        | <b>6626.04</b>                          | <b>0.074%</b>                    |
| <b>2012-13</b>        | <b>6715.04</b>                          | <b>0.067%</b>                    |

- (d) **Yes, Sir.**
- (e) **The indicative Plan outlay for space research during the 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan (2012-17) is ` 39,750 crores. The actual plan expenditure during 11<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan (2007-12) was ` 15,195 crores. The increase in Plan allocation during 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan is intended to undertake space research in the areas of development of Advanced Communication Satellites, development of Advanced Launch Vehicle Technology, high-resolution imaging system, Satellite Navigation Systems, Space Science & Planetary Exploration and Disaster Management Support Programme.**