Government of India Department of Atomic Energy **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 804** To be answered on 27.07.2023

Homi Bhabha Chair Scheme

804 Dr. Santanu Sen:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- a) whether there is any plan to increase the honorarium, duration or number of slots under the Homi Bhabha Chair Scheme;
- b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- c) whether there is any provision for promoting women, SC, ST, and other marginalized sections in availing the benefits of the scheme;
- d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons there for; and
- e) whether there is any awareness or outreach program for sensitizing and encouraging potential candidates for applying for the Homi Bhabha Chair scheme, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) & (b) The matter is duly reviewed from time to time.
- (c) & (d) The scheme is for Eminent Scientists, Engineers and Technologists inclusive of all categories, who have superannuated and were involved in the development of sensitive and/or critical technologies to carry out further research and development works in the field of their choice and beneficial to the Department of Atomic Energy.
- (e) The Homi Bhabha Chair Scheme is available on DAE website: <u>https://dae.gov.in/homi-bhabha-chair/</u> and BRNS website: <u>https://brns.res.in/brns_hbc.php</u>
