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To,

Under Secretary to the Govt, M.II  
Ministry of Culture,  
Shastri Bhavan  
New Delhi – 110 001

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Sub: RSQDY No. S2356 regarding 'Scientific temper among students' -reg.

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Ref: Your e-mail dated 18.07.2023

Sir,

With reference to above, I am directed to furnish below materials for framing of appropriate reply to RSQDY No. S2356 regarding 'Scientific temper among students': -

Sl. No.	Question	Material of NCSM for framing of reply
(a)	Whether the Ministry has any plan to encourage a scientific temper among young people in the country;	<p>Not known to National Council of Science Museums (NCSM).</p> <p>However, one of the primary objectives of National Council of Science Museums (NCSM) under the Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India is to popularize science and technology in cities, urban and rural areas <i>for the benefit of students</i> and for the common man by organizing exhibitions, seminars, popular lectures, science camps and various other programmes;</p> <p>With a view to develop scientific attitude and temper and to create, inculcate, foster a spirit of scientific enquiry and creativity among the students to increase the participation of students in Science &amp; Technology, NCSM through its 26 science museums/science centres spread across the country organise extensive round the year educational activities by organising seminars, popular lectures, science camps, science demonstration lectures, sky observation programmes, mobile science exhibitions, science quizzes, creative science workshops etc. In addition, NCSM has also set up 22 new Science Centres across the country jointly with the State Governments/UTs and handed over the same to the State Governments/UTs for their operation with same</p>

		objective as stated above. NCSM also operates Mobile Science Exhibition Vans in rural areas across the country to popularise science & technology. Furthermore, NCSM has also set up 42 nos. of Innovation Hubs across the country to develop scientific attitude and temper among the students.
(b)	If so, what measures have been taken for supporting it?	Replied at Sl. No. (a) above.
(c)	What measures have been taken for inviting investment in scientific research by students?	Not known to NCSM.
(d)	What steps are being taken for nurturing the inquisitiveness and research acumen of students from a young age?	Replied at Sl. No. (a) above.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

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Dy. Controller of Administration