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PARLIAMENT QUESTION

Sub: Seeking inputs for the Lok Sabha Starred Dy. No. 1666 for 07.02.2025 reg "Neurological Privacy".

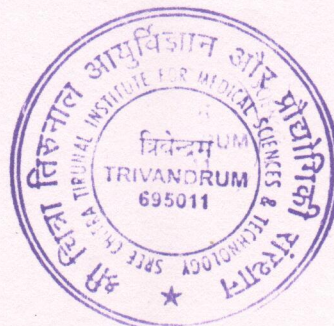
- (a) *The steps taker/proposed to be taken by the Government to recognize and protect neurorights similar to Chile's constitutional amendment that ensures technological developments respect people's physical and mental integrity;*
- (b) *Whether the Government proposes to address the rapid evolution of neuro technologies and the diverse contexts in which these technologies are used to develop suitable neuroethical standards in the country and if so, the details thereof;*
- (c) *The role of the Government in international efforts to ensure ethical standards for neurotechnologies in light of UNESCO's initiative to develop the first global framework on the ethics of neurotechnology;*
- (d) *Whether the Government proposes to consider Colorado's recent law to protect individuals' neurological privacy and California's deliberations on a similar instrument and if so, the details thereof;*
- (e) *Whether the Government has taken/proposes to take steps to safeguard neurological privacy for its citizens and if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken in this regard; and*
- (f) *The actions taken/ being taken by the Government to collaborate with intergovernmental organizations working on the human rights dimension of neurotechnologies to ensure the protection of citizens' rights?*

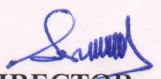
Answer

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(a), (b), (c), (d) & (f) - Details not available with SCTIMST.

- (e) In SCTIMST, all neurological research follows strict ethical standards and the data is accessible to the investigators only, under supervision of the ethics committee formed under national / international guidelines and standards. SCTIMST is involved in the development of newer neurotechnologies including deep brain stimulation and prescribed standards are followed in R & D activities also




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