During 2017-18, Public Sector R&D was led by Defence Industries followed by Fuels and Industrial Machinery while Drugs and Pharma, Transportation, Information Technology, Mechanical Engineering Industries etc dominated the Private Sector R&D.

In industrial R&D, Drugs and Pharmaceuticals occupied the first place with a share of 24.3% followed by Transportation 16.4%, information Technology 8.7%, Chemical (other than fertilizer) 7.2% and Defence Industries 6.8% respectively during 2017-18.