## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF POSTS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1249 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER, 2016

#### **SUKANYA SAMRIDHI YOJANA**

1249. SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been any reports from States demanding a review of the guidelines and policies intended to be implemented through the Sukanya Samridhi account scheme;
- (b) if so, the details of such demands made by various States;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereon;
- (d) whether the scheme provide tax benefits and the people's participation in this scheme is encouraging; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the steps taken by the Government to make it more people centric?

#### **ANSWER**

### THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS & MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) & (c) In view of (a) above, question does not arise.
- (d) & (e) Yes, Madam. The scheme was notified on 02.12.2014 and it is about to complete two years. In this short time, total number of accounts opened under this scheme is 99,96,051 and total collection is Rs.9283.84 Crore. This shows that people are participating in this scheme.

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