GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3672 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2016

CONTRIBUTION TO UN BUDGET

3672. SHRI DHARAM VIRA: SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India contributes substantially to the United Nations (UN) Budget;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of India's contribution to the UN agencies in India during the last three years?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI M. J. AKBAR)

(a) to (c) Each member state of the United Nations is obligated to contribute to the organization's budgets. Assessed contributions are calculated on the basis of a scale of assessment that takes into account the country's share of the global Gross National Income with adjustments given for low per-capita income and the country's external debt. Similarly assessed contributions in respect of UN peacekeeping operations are also based on this scale of assessment with further adjustments made on the basis of the average per capita Gross National Income *vis-a-vis* global average Gross National Income. The applicable scale of assessment is reviewed every three years. Based on this scale of assessment, India's contribution to the UN regular and peacekeeping budgets has been fixed at 0.737 % and 0.1474 % respectively for the period 2016-18.

India's assessed contribution to the United Nations paid out of the budget of this Ministry over the last three financial years is as follows:

	FY 2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Final Expenditures of the Ministry	Rs. 138 cr	Rs. 157 cr	Rs 244 cr
of External Affairs on account of			
Contribution to United Nations			
Organization			

India also makes voluntary contributions to various UN agencies from time to time.
