GOVERNEMNT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 4873 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2016

OBJECTIONS BY NCPCR

4873. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights(NCPCR) has objected to the film 'Nil Battey Sannata' released recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI)

(a) to (c) The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) had taken suomoto cognizance on viewing trailers of the film "Nil Battey Sannata" for depicting scenes of corporal punishment being meted out to children in classroom. NCPCR took up the matter only on 20.04.2016 with Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) and requested Ministry of Information & Broadcasting for not releasing the film in best interest of protection of child rights. However, the film 'Nil Battey Sannata' was certified by the CBFC on 03.07.2015 in accordance with the Cinematograph Act, 1952, Cinematograph (Certification) Rules, 1983 and issued certificate under category 'U' subject to certain cuts.
