#### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY & PROMOTION

#### LOK SABHA

### UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 768. TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, THE 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER, 2016.

#### **COPYRIGHT BOARD**

#### 768. DR. GOKARAJU GANGA RAJU:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

# वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has started the process for setting up the copyright Board in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be established?

#### ANSWER

## वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्यमंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)(श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b): The administration of the Copyright Act, 1957 was transferred to Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, subsequent to the amendment in the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961 on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2016. The department has amended sub-rule (1) of rule 3 of the Copyright Rules, 2013 related to the "terms and conditions of the office of the Chairman and Members of the Copyright Board" vide gazette notification dated 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2016. The department has taken further necessary steps for the appointment of Chairman, Copyright Board. Vacancy circular/ advertisement for the appointment of two Members of Copyright Board has also been published in the Employment News dated 05<sup>th</sup> November, 2016. The Copyright Board is likely to be established during the next financial year 2017-18.

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