## Government of India Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution Department of Consumer Affairs

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4226 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.03.2017

## **COMMON BILLING**

4226. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed a common Billing and Payment date for all services in the country like Telephone Bill, Cellphone Bill, Cable TV Bill, PNG Bill, Water and Electricity Bills, Credit/Debit Card Bill etc. and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government plans to initiate a dialogue on this with all the service providers/stakeholders and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to rationalise late payment fees on the large number of bills consumers receive every month and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government plans to fix the late payment fee, say a small percentage of the total bill amount, so that it is commensurate with the amount due and if so, the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (d): This Department has no such proposal.

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