GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5646 TO BE ANSWERED ON 7TH APRIL, 2017/17TH CHAITRA SAKA, 1939

Fake Currency Rackets

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QUESTION

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of fake currency rackets post demonetisation and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has come out with any method to detect fake notes of new currency denomination in the banks;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to introduce more coins to fight fake currency; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

<u>ANSWER</u>

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

(a) India para-military forces and other agencies have seized fake new currency notes of denominations of Rs. 2000 and Rs. 500 in the border states post demonetization.

(b) & (c) RBI has informed that the existing note verification machines have been re-calibrated for detection of counterfeit notes of new currency notes of Rs. 500 and Rs. 2000. Further, RBI has also launched a mobile application for creating awareness among the members of public about security features of the new notes.

(d) & (e) Reserve Bank of India periodically estimates and reviews the demand for coins and accordingly places indents with the Mints for supply.
