

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6153  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.04.2017**

**DR. B.R. AMBEDKAR'S 125TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY**

**6153. SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO (AVANTHI):  
SHRI CH. MALLA REDDY:**

**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the year-long celebration of Dr. B.R.Ambedkar's 125th birth anniversary has left commemorative coins worth Rs. 34 lakh unsold;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Centre has mooted a proposal to distribute the unsold coins free of cost to Members of Parliament; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
(SHRI VIJAY SAMPLA)**

- (a) & (b) The National Committee on Nationwide Celebration of 125<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar decided to release commemorative coins of Rs. 10/- and Rs. 125/- in memory of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. A set of two coins consisting of Rs. 10/- and Rs. 125/- denomination is being sold at Rs. 3480/- on 'no profit and no loss' basis by Dr. Ambedkar Foundation. The value of 911 set of coins lying unsold with Dr. Ambedkar Foundation as on date is Rs. 31,70,280/-
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): Question does not arise.

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