GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2924

TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2017

STREET VENDORS

No. 2924 SHRI B.S. YEDIYURAPPA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- a) whether the States are mandated to regulate street vending through demarcation of vending zones and if so, the details thereof;
- b) The criteria adopted for allocation of vending zones/street vendors;
- c) whether any rent is charged from vendors and if so, the details of rent collected by the States during the last three years, State-wise and if so, the details thereof;
- d) whether instances of involvement of officials of local agencies and police in harassment of street vendors have come to the notice of the Government and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- e) the strategy if any, formulated/ being formulated by the Government to help the States in this regard?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) & (b): The implementation of Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014, is done by the respective States/UTs by framing Rules, Scheme, Bye-laws and

Street Vending Plan as per provisions of the Act. The plan for street vending, which is formulated by local authorities, *inter-alia*, determines the vending zones, restricted vending zones and novending zones based on local conditions in their respective jurisdictions.

- (c): The Act provides for framing of scheme by respective states/
 UTs, *inter-alia*, to lay down the vending fee, maintenance charges
 and penalties and the manner of their collection etc.
- (d) & (e): The Government has received few representations from street vendor organizations and individual street vendors from various States which have been forwarded to the respective State/UT Governments for addressing the concerns and taking appropriate action as per the provisions of the Street Vendors Act, 2014.
