GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

<u>UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1174</u> TO BE ANSWERED ON 22nd DECEMBER, 2017/1ST PAUSHA SAKA, 1939

Disposing of Old Notes

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QUESTION

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- a) the amount of funds spent in destroying/disposing old notes of demonetisation of Rs. 500 and Rs. 1000;
- b) the number of ATMs of PSBs that have recalibrated to fit the new notes of denomination of Rs. 500 and Rs. 2000 along with the cost of recalibrating these ATMs; and
- c) whether the introduction of new notes of Rs. 200 and Rs. 50 demonetisation require another recalibration of ATMs and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P. RADHAKRISHNAN)

- (a): The processing of demonetized Rs 500/- and Rs 1000/- is going on using the existing currency verification and processing machines of RBI, supplemented by machines taken on lease from banks and vendors.
- (b): As on January 4, 2017, around 1.98 lakh ATMs have been recalibrated for new notes of ₹ 500 and ₹ 2000. The cost of recalibration was borne by the banks themselves.
- (c): The recalibration of ATMs is being done in a phased manner.
