

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1411
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th MARCH,2018

CLOSURE OF DGS&D

1411. SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has started the process of shutting down the nearly 100 year old procurement arm of the Government, the Directorate General of Supplies and Disposals (DGS&D);
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the public procurement is being managed by the Government's e-market platform since last year and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has to decide upon issues relating to manpower, land and office spaces of the said Directorate before its closure; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a)&(b): Yes, Madam. Directorate General of Supplies & Disposals (DGS&D) Headquarter including its regional offices & its field offices have been closed on 31.10.2017 in accordance with the Cabinet decision dated 12.4.2017.

(c): Yes Madam. GeM was launched on 9th August,2016 as a end-to-end electronic market place for procurement of goods & service by Government organizations.

(d)&(e): The process of closure of DGS&D has been completed. DGS&D owned land and office spaces have been handed over to Land & Development Officer, Government of India and DGFT & the rented premises surrendered to landlords. Grade A, B & C officials of erstwhile DGS&D have been declared surplus. A large number of officials have already been redeployed.
