## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2325 ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 9th MARCH, 2018 PHALGUNA 18, 1939 (SAKA)

#### STRENGTHENING OF SFIO

#### **QUESTION**

2325. SHRI OM BIRLA:
SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS कॉरपोरेट कार्य मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total sanctioned staff and officers posts in the Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO) during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether there has been an increase in the cases of Companies Act violations and the white collar crimes in the past three years wherein the help of SFIO has been taken by the Government and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of such cases initiated by the Government on such companies during this and last three years and the progress made therein;
- (d) whether there is a shortage of staff and officials in the SFIO due to which the office is not able to perform its functions properly and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of amount sanctioned/allotted to and utilised by SFIO during the above mentioned period?

#### **ANSWER**

### THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR LAW AND (SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY) JUSTICE AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS (श्री पी. पी. चौधरी)

विधि और न्याय एवम कॉरपोरेट कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(a): The sanctioned posts in Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO) have been as under:-

Financial Vacr	Total constinued neets
Financial Year	Total sanctioned posts

2014-15	132
2015-16	132
2016-17	133
2017-18	133

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## (b) & (c): Number of cases of investigation assigned to SFIO by the Ministry is as under:-

Financial Year	Number of cases	
2014-15	71	
2015-16	184	
2016-17	111	
2017-18 (till 28.02.2018)	208	

(d): Against 133 sanctioned posts, total 66 posts are presently filled up.

In addition to the above, a total of 35 experts of various fields are presently engaged as consultants.

## (e): The details of funds allocated and utilized by SFIO in the last three years, and the current year, are as under:-

Financial Year	BE (Rs. in Crore)	RE (Rs. in Crore)	Expenditure (Rs. in Crore)
2014-15	9.66	10.73	9.84
2015-16	11.56	10.50	10.18
2016-17	13.50	15.18	14.53
2017-18 (till 01.03.2018)	17.37	18.66	13.83

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