GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4326 (TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2018)

LEAKAGE OF SSC EXAM PAPERS

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Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the examination for recruitment of non-gazetted staff for various central ministries and subordinate departments is conducted by the Staff Selection Commission and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there are reports of leakage of the examination paper for combined graduate level exam tier-2 and if so, the facts and details thereof;
- (c) whether there has been demand for CBI investigation into the alleged paper leak and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the follow up steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

(a): The Staff Selection Commission (SSC) is mandated to make recruitment to Group 'B' (Non-Gazetted) posts and Group 'C' of (non-technical) posts under Government of India and their attached and subordinate offices.

The Staff Selection Commission annually conducts the following examinations:

- I. Eight mandated All India Open Competitive Examinations for filling up regular vacancies.
- II. Recruitment to Selection Posts in various Ministries/Departments, attached and subordinate Offices, where the essential qualifications vary from Matriculation to Post Graduation specific to the job requirements of that Ministry/Department.
- III. Three Limited Departmental Competitive Examinations for promotion from (i) Multi Tasking Staff to Lower Division Clerk, (ii) Lower Division Clerk to Upper Division Clerk (iii) Stenographer Grade 'D' to Stenographer Grade 'C'.
- IV. The Commission also conducts three non-mandated examinations, namely, (i) Constable (General Duty) Examination for Paramilitary Forces, (ii) Constable (Executive) Examination for Delhi Police and (iii) Recruitment to Scientific Assistants in India Meteorological Department (IMD) Examination.
- (b) to (d): There was no leakage of question papers of Staff Selection Commission (SSC) Examination. In view of some sporadic incidents of alleged cheating by some candidates at a few venues and subsequent agitation by a section of the candidates, the Commission in order to reiterate and reaffirm the faith of the candidates in the examination process recommended for an impartial enquiry by CBI. Accepting the recommendation of the Commission, Government has referred the matter to CBI for a free and fair enquiry. CBI has registered a Preliminary Enquiry on 8/3/2018.
