

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
(DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS & PUBLIC GRIEVANCES)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2302
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2023)

SWACHHATA ABHIYAN

2302. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has cleared workspace of about 11.5 lakh square feet at the offices of its department in various parts of the country during the first phase of the cleanliness drive under the Swachhata Abhiyan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that the Government plans to rent out the reclaimed workspace to other departments which will save substantial amount that will be spent on renting private buildings; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof?

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) to (d): The Government had organized the first Special Campaign on reducing pendency and institutionalizing swachhata in Central Ministries/ Departments including their attached/ subordinated offices from 2nd to 31st October, 2021. Over 6154 Central government offices participated in the Campaign. About 12.01 lakh square feet of space spread across these 6154 offices was cleared and Rs.62.54 crore of revenue was earned by scrap disposal during the month-long campaign. The reclaimed work space was utilized by the respective offices for various purposes like courtyard, cafeteria, library, conference hall, wellness center and parking space etc.
