GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3714

TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2021

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE MOVIE FOR OSCARS

3714: SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Oscar Committee rejected the movie "Udham Singh" saying it portrayed "hatred against the British";
- (b) the details of the composition of the Committee selected by the Government to nominate a movie for the Oscars:
- (c) whether there is any laid down procedure to nominate members, if so, the details thereof:
- (d) the details of the criteria as applied by the Committee to select a movie to be nominated for the Oscars: and
- (e) whether the Government has any proposal to rectify the situation and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; AND MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR):

(a) to (e) The Oscar Film Awards are conferred by the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts & Sciences, USA. The Academy has authorized Film Federation of India, a pan India film trade body for selecting one film as India's sole entry for the consideration of Oscar Award in the "International Feature Film" category. The Government of India does not have a role either in the selection of the committee or in the selection of film for 'Oscars', as it is done by a committee formed by Film Federation of India.
