

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3690

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 22ND DECEMBER, 2015/PAUSHA 1, 1937 (SAKA)

COLLECTION OF CENSUS DATA

3690. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the expenditure incurred by the Government on collection of census data during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government has gained any revenue by selling census data; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a): Madam; the last Census was conducted in the year 2011. The total cost incurred in conducting Census 2011 was approximately Rs.1970 crore.

(b): Yes Madam.

(c): The objective of the Government is to disseminate Census data as widely as possible. Hence, it is made available free of cost over the internet. However, the data-sets/publications are also priced and sold to data users. The details of amount gained by selling Census data during the last three years and the current year are as under:

Financial Year	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16 (Upto Nov.2015)	Total
Amount (Rs.)	59,94,379	1,12,82,512	1,19,48,461	1,29,23,926	4,21,49,278
