# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

#### LOK SABHA

## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1513**

# TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2016 PHALGUNA 14, 1937 (SAKA)

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## 1513. SHRI J C DIVAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a treaty proposed to facilitate access to financial information about Indian taxpayers abroad has been put off;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JAYANT SINHA)

- (a) No, Sir
- (b) Does not arise
- (c) India is committed to Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information (AEOI) based on Common Reporting Standard (CRS) and has signed Multilateral Competent Authority Agreement (MCAA) which provides a framework for exchange of information on automatic basis as per CRS, on 03<sup>rd</sup> June 2015.

In addition, the Union Cabinet has given approval to join the "Multilateral Competent Authority Agreement on the Exchange of Country-by-Country Reports" by signing the Declaration agreeing to comply with the provisions of the Agreement. India would be signing the declaration at the next signing ceremony.

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