GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2167

TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY THE 6TH MAY, 2016 VAISAKHA 16 , 1938 (SAKA) CSR SPENDING FOR SWACHH BHARAT PROGRAMME

2167. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Swachh Bharat cess introduced in November 2015 is likely to mop Rs. 10,000 crores in 2016-17;

(b) whether the Government proposes to ask Indian corporates to set aside 30% of their CSR spend for Swachh Bharat to help the Centre to raise over Rs. 2 lakh crores over the next three years for Swachh Bharat programme;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the response of corporate sector in this regard; and

(d) the further stand taken by the Government in the matter?

ANSWER

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

(a): As per Union Budget 2016-2017, the estimated amount to be collected from Swachh Bharat Cess during the year 2016-17 is Rs 10,000 crores.

(b): There is no proposal to mandate Corporates to set aside 30% of their CSR spend for Swachh Bharat under consideration of the Government.

(c): Does not arise in view of reply to part (b) above.

(d): Does not arise in view of reply to part (b) above.
