GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFHOME AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO21.04.2010 ANSWERED ON

INCREASING THEFT CASES OF MOBILES IN DELHI.

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Will the Minister of COALHOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government is aware of increasing number of thefts and loss of mobiles under various police stations, like Vasant Vihar in South Delhi;
- (b) whether the police authorities take no action to recover and deactivate such lost mobiles even where the IMEI number has been mentioned in the FIR; and
- (c) if so, the number of such FIRs filed quoting IMEI number in various police stations in South Delhi, police station-wise during the last two years and the present status in each case?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (c):A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 378 FOR 21.4.2010 REGARDING INCREASING THEFT CASES OF MOBILES IN DELHI.

(a) to (c):Yes, Sir. Government is aware of the increasing number of thefts and loss of mobiles under various police stations. The concerned Investigating Officer makes necessary efforts to track and recover the stolen/lost mobile phones. These include contacting the service provider, ascertaining the user details of the number of which the handset is activated subsequent to its loss and visiting the address mentioned in the subscriber form. De-activation of the stolen/lost mobile handset is done only by the service providers. Apart from this, Delhi Police has taken further initiative in this regard and a separate section in the Zonal Integrated Police Network (ZIPNET) has been provided which contains the details (IMEI numbers) of lost/stolen mobile handsets. This website is accessible to the public, and Delhi Police issues advertisements from time to time advising citizens to check the list of stolen/lost mobile handsets on the ZIPNET before purchasing a pre-owned mobile phone. The details of FIRs registered in various police stations in South Delhi during the last two years with present status is in Annexure.