

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount spent by the various Departments under his Ministry on various heads during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) whether the Union Government propose any economy drive to reduce expenditure on publicity, advertisement, entertainment, catering, inauguration functions, seminars, tours within the country and abroad including the payments made against STD and ISD bills, electricity bills particularly the bills of air-conditioners and coolers and other such expenditure; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHANTA KUMAR)

(a) to (c) The information is being collected and the same will be laid on the Table of the House.