

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

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SURVEY ON NON- GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATION
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey on the working of Non- Governmental Organisations (NGOs) in the country;
- (b) if so, the number of NGOs working in the country;
- (c) whether a number of NGOs functioning in the country have managed to get assistance from some Ministries in spite of their being blacklisted by many Ministries;
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the details of steps the Government has taken to check the misuse of the Government funds?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): The exact number is not known, as no survey has been conducted by Government. However, a study conducted in 2002 by the Society for Participatory Research in Asia

(PRIA), a Non-Governmental Organisation, has estimated their number to be approximately 12 lakh.

(c) to (e): The list of blacklisted NGOs is given wide publicity among the Ministries / Departments and other Government agencies. Care is taken to ensure that blacklisted NGOs do not get assistance from Ministries /Departments.