

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the tax received by the Government in the form of income-tax during the last two years and the total number of tax returns filed during the said period;
- (b) whether large corporate houses reflect their income as expenditure under various heads and paying nominal tax;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to start any awareness campaign with a view to make the public file their income-tax returns; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

- (a) During the F.Y. 2005-06 & 2006-07 the total collection from Direct Taxes stood as Rs. 1,65,008 crore & Rs. 2,30,091 crore respectively. The number of total income tax returns filed for the financial years ending 2005-06 & 2006-07 registered at 2,62,38,582 & 2,75,47,599. respectively.
- (b) No sir.
- (c) In view of (b) above does not arise.
- (d) & (e) No sir. The Government has been spreading campaigns vigorously both through print and electronic media to raise awareness among the public to file their income tax returns.