

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA**

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INDIAN BUREAUCRACY
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian bureaucracy has been ranked least efficient by a business survey of twelve Asian Economies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the steps suggested by the Administrative Reforms Commission have been implemented by the Government to make the bureaucracy transparent and more accountable;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the further steps taken or being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (Independent Charge) IN THE MINISTRY OF Science and Technology; MINISTER OF THE STATE (Independent Charge) IN THE MINISTRY OF Earth Sciences; MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE Prime Minister's Office; MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions;and MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF Parliamentary Affairs. (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) & (b) :- As per media reports,Indian bureaucracy has been ranked as the least efficient by a business survey of twelve Asian Economies. This media report also states that survey was a result of a poll of 1274 expatriates working in 12 North and South Asian Nations.The Poll was last held in 2007. It is not clear from the report that what were the key indicators,population size, etc. The scientific basis of this survey is not known. Hence it is not possible to comment on this report.

(c) to (e): - The recommendations of 2nd ARC to make the bureaucracy transparent and more accountable are under consideration of the Government.