GOVERNMENT OF INDIA INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3162 ANSWERED ON:13.12.2011 RE CONSTITUTION OF PCI Patel Shri R.K. Singh;Punia Shri P.L.

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to reconstitute the Press Council of India and rename it as 'the Media Council of India';
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reasons therefor and the time by which the said proposal is likely to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI C.M. JATUA)

(a) to (c): The Chairman, Press Council of India (PCI) has written to the Hon'ble Prime Minister proposing to bring electronic media under the jurisdiction of PCI and to rename it as Media Council. Subsequently PCI, in its meeting held on 17.11.2011 has decided to hold further debate on the proposal of Chairman, PCI.