

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2969

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‘DIVIDENDS FROM COMPANIES’

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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

(a) Whether the Government is expecting more dividends from Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) during the Financial Year 2012-13; and

(b) If so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (Shri Namo Narain Meena)

(a) Yes Sir.It is estimated that Government will get Rs. 50152.55 crore from Dividend and Profits as per BE 2012-13, as against BE 2011-12 of Rs. 42623.68 crore and RE 2011-12 of Rs. 50122.03 crore.

(b) The quantum of dividend depends upon the performance/profitability of the Central Public Sector Undertakings. In terms of the guidelines issued by the Government from time to time, all profit making Public Sector Companies with majority holding by the Government are required to pay a minimum dividend of 20% of Government's equity or 20% of profit after tax, whichever is higher. The minimum dividend payout in respect of Public Sector Undertakings in Petroleum, Power, Chemical and other infrastructure sectors is however, 30% of profit after tax.