GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4753 ANSWERED ON:04.05.2012 CONSULTANCY SERVICES BY GSI Patel Shri Bal Kumar

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Geological Survey of India (GSI) provided scientific and technical consultancy services to its clients;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount released by the GSI therefrom during the last three years;

(d) whether the GSI released service tax and educational cess from its clients;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a): Yes, Madam. Geological Survey of India (GSI) takes-up promotional, sponsored/commercial works besides the accredited activities. The accredited activities are funded by Budget allocations and the cost of sponsored work is charged from the user agencies. The sponsored works are taken up in respect of coal, geotechnical investigations, training, marine activities etc.

(b): GSI provided scientific and technical consultancy to the user agencies including Government Organisations/Departments, Public Sector Undertakings, Autonomous bodies, Private Entrepreneurs, Educational Institutes etc. as per the schedule of Charges.

(c): The amount of internal resource generated through commercial activities and sale of maps and publications for last three years are as under:

S.No. Financial Year Amount in Rupees

1. 2009-10 9,38,84,838

2. 2010-11 14,91,70,053

3. 2011-12 20,27,34,959

(d) & (e): The details of the service tax and education cess paid during the last three years by GSI is given below:

(amount in Rupees)

S.No. Financial Year Service Tax Educational Cess

1. 2009-10 92,89,625 2,55,347

2. 2010-11 2,84,76,749 7,46,864

3. 2011-12 2,74,86,595 5,84,635

(f): Question does not arise.