

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:51
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SERVICE TAX
Ramasubbu Shri S.

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of revenue collected from Service Tax during the last three years and the number of items which are presently exempted from it;
- (b) whether the Government has recently exempted more services from the purview of service tax and if so, the details thereof during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to exempt few more services from service tax net which are having a direct bearing on the poor and common man; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Sir, reply enclosed as Annexure -A.

(c) & (d): Sir, as a preparation for introduction of Goods and Service Tax (GST), efforts are made to broaden the tax base by minimizing exemptions.