

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

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OUTSOURCING VERIFICATION OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Planning Commission has proposed that the Government may go for outsourcing of verification work of development projects to private agencies as report in the media:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether State Governments have also given its consent in this regard:
- (d) if so, the details thereof:
- (e) whether Controller and Auditor General (C&AG) has also been consulted in this regard;
- (f) if so, the details thereof ; and
- (g) the time by which final decision will be taken in this regard

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a): At present the Planning Commission has not proposed that the Government may go for outsourcing of verification work of development projects to private agencies. However, the Programme Evaluation Organisation (PEO) of Planning Commission undertakes process and impact evaluation of selected flagship programmes /schemes from time to time on sample basis, on the behest of the Ministries/Department of Government of India, either by PEO in- house(utilizing its field units/Regional Evaluation Offices and Project Evaluation Offices) or, by outsourcing to empanelled Research Institutes.

(b) to (g): In view of (a) above, the Questions do not arise.