GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1285 ANSWERED ON:30.11.2012 ISLAMIC BANKING IN INDIA Chitthan Shri N.S.V.

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up Islamic Banking in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has suggested to the Government to restructure or amend the laws to allow Islamic Banking in India; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (d): The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has not sent any proposal to set-up Islamic Banking in India. RBI is of the view that the Sharia compliant banking services may be introduced in the country only after putting in a place an appropriate legal, regulatory and supervisory framework.