GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:415 ANSWERED ON:23.11.2012 LOSSES OF INSURANCE COMPANIES Sugavanam Shri E.G.

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether non-life Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) insurance companies have reportedly incurred losses during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Union Government has issued any direction to the non-life PSU insurance companies to improve their operation and to contain the losses; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by these companies thereon?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Profit / Loss After Tax of the Public Sector General Insurance Companies (PSGICs) for the last three years and the current year is as below:

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PSU Ins. Cos Financial Year Profit After Tax
     (Rs.000`s)
National Ins. Co. 2012-13 (up to -466500
   1st Quarter)
   2011-12 3252136
   2010-11
            748874
   2009-10 2248628
The New India Ins. Co. 2012-13 (up to -4864370
   1st Quarter)
   2011-12 1793168
  2010-11 -4215605
2009-10 4046721
The Oriental Ins. Co. 2012-13 (up to 1232921
   1st Quarter)
   2011-12 2611593
           546153
   2010-11
   2009-10
            -442531
United India Ins. Co. 2012-13 (up to 1924546
   1st Quarter)
   2011-12
            3867897
   2010-11 1305448
   2009-10 7077902
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(c) & (d): The companies in general adopted strategy relating to underwriting insurance policies. The strategy lays down the criteria in respect of working out the premium on the basis of combined claim ratios of the policies, acquisition cost, allowance of discount/brokerage/commission/other charges, in insurance policies.