GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3976 ANSWERED ON:18.12.2012 FOREIGN FUNDS TO MINORITY INSTITUTIONS Virendra Kumar Shri

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some minority institutions in the country are getting foreign funds from abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to conduct an inquiry on the functioning of such institutions; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): During the last three years foreign contribution received by minority institutions registered and minority institutions that were granted prior permission under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) act, 2010 (FCRA) are given below:-

2008-09

Religion No. of Associations Amount (Rs. Crore) Buddhist 103 171.07 Christian 4871 3689.30 Muslim 287 114.20 Sikh 12 12.91 Total 5273 3987.48 2009-10 Religion No. of Associations Amount (Rs. Crore) Buddhist 97 164.61 Christian 4751 3542.31 Muslim 246 99.52 Sikh 13 4.98 Total 5107 3811.42 2010-11 Religion No. of Associations Amount (Rs. Crore) Buddhist 99 168.94 Christian 4721 3385.64 Muslim 251 123.33 Sikh 14 5.19 Total 5085 3683.10

As far as foreign contribution received in 2011-12 are concerned, the same are still under compilation as the last date for submission of annual accounts by the NGOs is 31.12.2012.

(c) to (d): The Government monitors the receipt and utilization of foreign contribution received by any 'person' including Non-Governmental organizations in the country in terms of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 and the Rules framed under the Act.

The FCRA, 2010 provides for NGOs to receive foreign funds after registration or prior permission. Every application of NGOs for registration or granting Prior Permission is decided with inputs from the concerned security agencies. The NGOs who have been registered/ given prior permission for receiving foreign funds are required to submit Annual Accounts. These are scrutinized and wherever required, physical inspection is conducted. Based on the findings of the inspection team, appropriate action is taken.