## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3979 ANSWERED ON:18.12.2012 ANALYSIS OF MEDIA REPORTS Sugumar Shri K.

## Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Investigation Agency (NIA) is considering to enlist an agency to monitor media reports of its interests and provide Strength weakness Opportunity and Threat Analysis on a regular basis;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the NIA has floated a tender in this regard and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the selected firm will have to undertake a comprehensive research of media reports relating to NIA and issues related to terror and present a daily update in soft copies; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The National Investigation Agency has enlisted M/s BIUS Media Monitor, New Delhi for providing newspaper clippings relating to matters of NIA's interest i.e. terrorism related news etc. appearing in Delhi publications on daily basis. The said service has already been started for a period of one year w.e.f. 4th December, 2012.
- (c): Yes, the National Investigation Agency had floated tender on 12th September, 2012. However, the tender notice was cancelled on 3rd October, 2012 due to technical reasons, as the amount involved was only Rs. 5000/- per month. Subsequently, however, M/s BIUS Media Monitor which is already enlisted with CBI has been enlisted with NIA on the terms and conditions agreed upon with CBI.
- (d) & (e): The selected agency will only provide news clippings of matters of interest of the National Investigation Agency which will be appearing in newspapers. The same will be provided through e-mail on daily basis.