GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:24 ANSWERED ON:24.02.2015 CCTNS PROJECT Charitra Shri Ram;Reddy Shri J.C. Divakar

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has granted Rs. 2000 crore for implementation of the Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems (CCTNS) and connecting all police stations with CCTNS as well as digitizing the way critical information such as criminal records and fingerprints are stored and shared among law enforcement officials;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) The time by which such system is likely to be fully implemented in the country along with the reasons for delay in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c): Yes Madam, The Government has approved a project outlay of Rs. 2000 crore for implementation of Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems (CCTNS) and connecting all police stations. It covers digitizing the way critical information such as criminal records to be stored and shared among law enforcement officials.

Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems (CCTNS) is a project initiated in June 2009 which aims at creating a comprehensive and integrated system for enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness of policing at the Police Station level through adoption of principles of e-Governance, and creation of a nationwide networked infrastructure for evolution of IT-enabled state-of-the-art tracking system around "investigation of crime and detection of criminals".

The project timelines is till March 2015 with provision of one year extension. The project is lagging behind the schedule which can be attributed to the following:

- # States/UTs took time in preparation and finalisation of Request for Proposal (RFPs) for selection of State System Integrator (SI).
- # SI selection in some of the States/UTs got delayed.
- # In some of the States/UTs there was delay in handing over the sites to SI.
- # In some of the States/UTs there were issues in execution of project by SI.
- # Delay in establishment of National Data Centre due to technical issues in Core Application Software.
- # Originally developed Core Application Software had to undergo lot of changes due to performance issues and additional functional requirements from field units.
- # Delay in commissioning of WiMax and VSAT sites.