GOVERNMENT OF INDIA URBAN DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3637 ANSWERED ON:18.03.2015 AWARD OF CONTRACTS Adsul Shri Anandrao ;Patil Shri Shivaji Adhalrao;Shrirang Shri Chandu Barne;Yadav Shri Dharmendra

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the criteria of awarding works to the lowest cost bidder adopted by the procuring agencies in the public sector hinders adoption of better technology, best practices and quality and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government propose to adopt Effective Lowest Price rather than the Lowest Price bid;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the instructions issued by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether there is a proposal to give incentives for better efficiency to the contractors and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the quality of the constructions work by the contractors?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

- (a): No, Madam.
- (b): No, Madam, there is no such proposal under consideration.
- (c): Does not arise.
- (d): No, Madam. There is no such proposal under consideration.
- (e): Yes Madam. For ensuring the quality of the construction work by the contractors, CPWD being leading Public Works Organization has 3 tier system of quality assurance as under:-
- (i)1st Tier consists of Quality Control & Assurances by the field execution team consisting the Executive Engineer, Assistant Engineer, Junior Engineer who supervise the work on day to day basis.
- (ii)2nd Tier consist of Quality Assurance set up at circle level, AE(QA) of the circle office inspects the work periodically.
- (iii)The 3rd Tier consists of Quality Assurance unit under each ADG headed by Director (TLQA) and a core wing at CPWD Directorate.