## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

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## Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has finalised plans to disinvest part of its stake in Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) including oil PSUs, blue chip PSUs like NALCO, BHEL and NMDC under its disinvestment programme and also sale of some PSUs for 2014-15;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, PSU-wise and the targets fixed thereon and the amount likely to be raised for the said period;
- (c) whether action in this direction has been initiated by the Government, if so, the details in this regard and its proposed effect on reduction in the fiscal deficit and enhancing the efficiency of these PSUs;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to delay the disinvestment in oil PSUs including Oil India Limited (OIL) and Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) in view of low oil prices; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and other steps taken by the Government to maximise the profits in the disinvestment of oil PSUs?

## **Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JAYANT SINHA)

(a) to (c) Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has, inter-alia, approved disinvestment in the following Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs):

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Sl. No. Name of CPSE Proposed Expected realization#
Disinvestment (Rs. crore)

1. Oil and Natural Gas 5% 13,217
Corporation Ltd. (ONGC)

2. NALCO 10% 1,190

3. NMDC 10% 5,038

4. BHEL 5% 3,129
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# Expected realization to the Government based on share prices on 16 March 2015 and after retail discount. Actual realization may be higher or lower depending on market conditions and investor interest prevailing at the time of actual disinvestment.

In the current financial year, disinvestment receipts have been about Rs.24,200 crore and fiscal deficit is estimated at Rs.5,12,628 crore. Government takes various revenue raising measures that have an impact on fiscal deficit and disinvestment is one of them. Listing and disinvestment of CPSEs, in general, has been seen to improve efficiency of CPSEs. CPSEs also take a number of measures for enhancing their efficiency.

(d) & (e) Actual disinvestment in CPSEs depends on market conditions and policy considerations.