GOVERNMENT OF INDIA INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2015 ANSWERED ON:31.07.2015 Anti-India Stand by Newspapers Kumar Shri Ashwini

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that some Urdu and English newspapers published from Jammu & Kashmir are reportedly taking an anti-India stand in the Valley and getting Government advertisement;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to stop/withdraw Government advertisement from such newspapers/publication; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE; MINISTER OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS AND MINISER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING. (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) and (b) No such report has come to the notice of the Government. As per the Advertisement Policy, Government would avoid releasing advertisements to newspapers/journals, which incite or tend to incite communal passion, preach violence, offend the sovereignty and integrity of India or socially accepted norms of public decency and behavior.

(c) and (d) Does not arise.