

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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SYMBOL OF INDIAN CURRENCY
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the changes made in the symbol of Indian currency recently and during the last three years and the current year; and
- (b) the details of the Indian culture and traditions that have been considered while making changes in the symbol of Indian currency?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a): The Government has notified '₹' symbol in the Indian rupee in July, 2010. Thereafter, no changes have been made in the '₹' symbol in the last three years and in the current year.

(b): A public competition was held by advertising in the national and leading regional newspapers inviting entries from resident Indian citizens for the symbol for Indian Rupee which reflects and captures the historical and cultural ethos as widely accepted across the country. The entries received were evaluated by a jury. Based on the recommendations of the jury, Government selected the '₹' symbol for the Indian Rupee.