GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1768 ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2016/ AGRAHAYANA 4, 1938 (SAKA)

REVISION OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES

QUESTION

1768. SHRI PREM DAS RAI:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कारपोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to revise the corporate governance guidelines due to the ongoing allegations against giant corporate houses and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the effective steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure investor confidence in Indian Inc. and to protect the minority shareholders in the cases of violation by companies/corporate houses?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE

(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

(श्री अर्जुन राम मेघवाल)

कारपोरेट कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(a) & (b):- No, Madam. Companies are required to comply with corporate governance requirements as prescribed in the Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) and the Rules thereunder. The Act and the prescribed Rules provide for adequate safeguards to protect the minority shareholders. Some of these safeguards are, right to approach National Company Law Tribunal against oppression and mismanagement; mandatory constitution of Audit Committee, Nomination & Remuneration Committee and Stakeholder Relationship Committee in listed and other class of companies; appointment of independent director for listed and other class of companies; code of conduct for independent directors; approval of related party transactions above prescribed thresholds by shareholders other than related parties.
