

monetization of land, comprehensive review of Direct Taxes Code Bill, 2010, establishing a data-warehousing and data-mining infrastructure, amendment in law to provide quoting of PAN or the UID in all economic transactions including bank accounts, fixed deposits with banks, reconciliation of the Income Tax Returns and Tax Deducted at Source database for expanding and deepening of the tax base, and online verification of PAN for all high value transactions to reduce black money transaction. The Committee also recommended that the Union Excise Duties and Service Tax must be reformed so as to be in a State of preparedness for smooth integration of these levies into the Goods and Service Tax and that the negative list of services to be reviewed for further pruning as well as not extending the exemption granted to railways for transportation of goods and passengers (of higher class) beyond 30.9.2012. The Committee has opined that CBEC should put in place a robust information system to increase the deterrence level and the cost of evasion. The Committee also stressed on need for structural reforms towards reducing the regulatory and business climate impediments to private investment and stressed that they are essential, from pricing to taxation and access to land and other resources. Expediting of proposals for financial sector deepening in domestic capital markets, banking and insurance also formed part of Committee's recommendations.

(c) and (d) Government has broadly accepted the recommendations of the Committee with some reservations, the details are under examination in consultation with the relevant Ministries and Departments.

Funds earmarked for infrastructure development

83. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds earmarked for infrastructure development during the Eleventh Plan;

(b) whether Government has fixed any target for infrastructure development; and

(c) if so, the State-wise results achieved so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) to (c) Planning Commission has informed that an investment of Rs. 20,56,150 crore by Centre, State and private sector was projected during the Eleventh Plan (2007-12) in infrastructure [defined to include electricity (including non-conventional energy), telecommunications, roads and bridges, railways (including

Mass Rapid Transit System), ports (including Inland Waterways), airports, irrigation (including Watershed Development), water supply and sanitation, storage and oil and gas pipelines] against which an investment of Rs. 19,07,579 crore is anticipated. The break-up of projections and anticipated achievements in Infrastructure during Eleventh Plan are indicated below:—

(Rs. crore at 2006-07 Prices)

| Sectors | Projected Investment | Anticipated Investment |
|---------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Centre | 7,65,622 | 6,57,775 |
| State | 6,70,937 | 5,46,969 |
| Private | 6,19,591 | 7,02,836 |
| TOTAL: | 20,56,150 | 19,07,579 |

Annual assessment of Indian missions abroad

84. DR. E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is making annual Assessment of the Indian Missions on various performances for addressing the needs of overseas Indians and the responses from Mission; and

(b) if so, the details of the Missions that are having high Standards and Saudi Arabian Missions in both cities that are poor in performances even in responding to Members of Parliament in getting dead body of Indian citizen?

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI): (a) The Missions are mandated to provide annual assessment reports on all aspects of their work including consular matters, which in turn cover aspects relating to the welfare of our expatriate community in the accredited countries.

(b) All Missions/Posts handle consular issues/problems of Indian nationals on priority. Upon receipt of information about the death of an Indian national, the concerned Mission/Post initiates immediate action to facilitate transportation of dead bodies to India which, *inter-alia*, requires liaison with the employers, and local authorities for getting necessary clearances, arranging the requisite documentation, preparation of the body for transportation and obtaining consent of the family of