

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 184  
ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, THE 22<sup>nd</sup> AUGUST, 2013/  
SRAVANA 31, 1935 (SAKA)**

**EASY EXIT SCHEME**

**QUESTION**

**\*184. SHRI ADHI SANKAR:**

**Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS  
be pleased to state:**

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- (a) Whether the number of defunct/inactive companies in the country have risen over the years;**
- (b) If so, the details thereof during the last three years;**
- (c) Whether the Government has announced the 'Easy Exit Scheme' for defunct companies to get their names struck off by the Registrar of companies;**
- (d) If so, the details thereof and the response of the companies thereto;  
and**
- (e) The other steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS  
कारपोरेट कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)**

**(SHRI SACHIN PILOT)  
(श्री सचिन पायलट)**

**(a) to (e):- A statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN ANSWER TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 184 FOR 22.08.2013 REGARDING EASY EXIT SCHEME.**

**(a) to (e) The Ministry of Corporate Affairs launched “Fast Track Exit Mode” on 03.07.2011 to provide an opportunity for defunct companies under Section 560 of the Companies Act, 1956 for getting their names struck off from the register of companies, to facilitate the exit of such defunct companies without getting into the process of winding up.**

**Number of defunct companies during last three years and companies who have so far availed Fast Track Exit Mode are tabulated as under:-**

| <b>Year</b>       | <b>Number of Defunct Companies</b> |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>31.12.2010</b> | <b>1,75,804</b>                    |
| <b>31.12.2011</b> | <b>2,20,906</b>                    |
| <b>31.12.2012</b> | <b>2,35,485</b>                    |

| <b>Year</b>       | <b>Number of Companies (availed FTE Mode for striking off their names)</b> |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>31.12.2011</b> | <b>2752</b>                                                                |
| <b>31.12.2012</b> | <b>7611</b>                                                                |
| <b>31.07.2013</b> | <b>8830</b>                                                                |

**The Companies Bill 2013 recently passed by both houses of Parliament has a provision (Clause 455) which introduces a new concept of ‘dormant companies’. Such companies which do not have significant accounting transactions are permitted to obtain the status of a ‘dormant company’.**

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