

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 676
ANSWERED ON MONDAY, THE 4TH MARCH, 2013**

INQUIRY INTO WALMART'S LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

QUESTION

676. SHRI M.P. ACHUTHAN:
SHRI D. RAJA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has ordered an inquiry into the lobbying activities of Walmart, the American retail giant; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and by when the inquiry is supposed to be completed?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

(SHRI SACHIN PILOT)

- (a) & (b):- Vide resolution dated 31.01.2013 a Committee, under Shri Justice Mukul Mudgal, former Chief Justice of Punjab and Haryana High Court has been constituted with the following Terms of Reference:-
- (i) To inquire into recent media reports on disclosures of Wal-mart before the US Senate regarding their lobbying activities and details thereof.
 - (ii) Whether Wal-mart undertook any activities in India in contravention of any Indian law.
 - (iii) Any other matter relevant or incidental to the above.

The committee is to submit its report within 3 months from issuance of the above resolution.
