

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3411  
ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST, 2014  
[SHRAVANA 10, 1936 (SAKA)]**

**FILING OF ANNUAL RETURNS BY COMPANIES  
QUESTION**

**3411. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:**

**Will the MINISTER OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS  
be pleased to state:**

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- (a) the number of companies that have been shut down within three years of their commencement during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the said companies have filed their balance sheets, annual returns and other returns/statements as envisaged in the Companies Act and other related Acts up to the date of their shut down;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the name of such companies;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry in this regard, if so, the details and the outcome thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether some real estate companies have been found indulged in corrupt practices with respect to acquisition of clearances in some States of the country including Haryana and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE  
IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

**(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)**

कारपोरेट कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

(a) to (d) There is no provision for 'shutting down' of a company under Companies Act. However, Section 560 of the Companies Act, 1956 empowers Registrar of Companies to strike defunct companies off the register. The number of companies struck-off within three years of their commencement of business, during each of the last three financial years is given in the Statement at Annexure. The Statement also indicates the number of companies among them that have not filed their Annual Returns/Balance Sheets. The Government does not conduct any inquiry for non-filing of Annual Returns/Balance Sheets by closed companies.

(e) & (f) Information is being collected.

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**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (d) OF LOK SABHA  
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**Statement : No. of companies struck off within three years of commencement of business, during the past three years and their status of filing of Balance Sheets etc.**

Sl. No.	Description	No. of Closed Companies	Of which, Annual Returns/ Balance Sheet	
			Not filed	filed
1.	Companies registered/ commenced business in 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 and struck off during 2011-12	468	364	104
2.	Companies registered/ commenced business in 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13 and struck off during 2012-13	796	665	131
3.	Companies registered/ commenced business in 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14 and struck off during 2013-14	856	622	234
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2120</b>	<b>1651</b>	<b>469</b>

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