

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5370

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FAKE PAN CARD

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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether preparing of fake 'PAN' cards is going on in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any action in this regard;
- (c) if so, the nature thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefore?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

- (a) An instance of tampering with data and issuing fake PAN cards by some private persons by unauthorizedly obtaining password of some Assessing Officers of Income Tax Department at Delhi came to the notice in December, 2004.
- (b) & (c) On a complaint filed by the Income Tax Department, the Crime Branch of Delhi Police has arrested the persons involved in the crime.
- (d) Not applicable in view of reply to (b) & (c) above.