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महोदय

I am directed to refer to e mail dated 23.11.2024 on the above subject and to furnish the desired information for Rajya Sabha Provisionally Admitted Starred/Un-starred Question Dy. No. U1956 pertaining to CCSNIAH Baghpat as per following:

S.no.	Question	Answer
(a)	What is the total expenditure by Central Government Departments on legal over the past five years, specifically for private lawyers, law firms and senior counsels?	<b>Nil (No Expenditure has been incurred on legal over the past five years, specifically for private lawyers, law firms and senior counsels)</b> Payment of Rs. 5172/- has been made to the Central Government Counsel during the year 2021-22 empaneled by the Ministry of Law and Justice, Department of Legal Affairs, Govt. of India.
(b)	Which departments have incurred the highest legal costs and what factors contributed to these expenditures?	Not Applicable
(c)	Is there an upward trend in legal spending? If so, what are the underlying reasons for this increase?	Not Applicable
(d)	What selection process does the government follow for hiring external lawyers and law firms? Are there specific criteria to ensure fairness, competence, and value for money?	Only Central Government Counsel empaneled by the Ministry of Law and Justice, Department of Legal Affairs, Govt. of India are being hired.

भवदीय

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