

(a) whether the Fourth Pay Commission had recommended that husband and wife may be posted at the same place in case both are in Government service;

(b) if so, whether this recommendation has been implemented in the Central Reserve Police Force; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

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#### Indians in the Volcano Region of Philippines

5078. SHRI GANGADHARA SANIPALLI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Indians residing in the Volcano region of Philippines; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to have them shifted to safer places?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a)

Though the precise figure of Indian nationals living in the vicinity of Mt. Pinatubo is not available, their number is estimated to be about 40.

(b) Indian living in the region of the Volcanic eruptions had been advised by our Embassy in Manila to move to safer areas and abide by directions of the local authorities, which they did. There have been no reports of any causality among them due to the volcanic eruptions.

#### Live Storage Capacity of Reservoirs

5079. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the live storage capacity of important reservoirs in the country has improved considerably; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) Out of the 56 important reservoirs in the country for which storage position is monitored by the Central Water Commission, the live storage in 44 reservoirs is more than their average live storage of the last several years.

(b) A Statement is enclosed.