GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2266 ANSWERED ON:04.12.2000 FLOODS IN ARUNACHAL PRADESH GUNIPATI RAMAIAH

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether sudden floods in Arunachal Pradesh have claimed lives of many people;
- (b) if so, whether the floods are probably due to some activity across the border;
- (c) if so, whether the Government have taken up the matter with the Chinese Government to prevent such happenings in future; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a): The State Government had reported that 26 people died due to the flash floods in June, 2000.

(b)to(d): The matter was taken up with the Chinese side, who conveyed that there was no dam on their side on the Yarlung Tsangpo (Brahmaputra) river and that the occurrence on the Indian side could have been "only due to natural causes".