

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4948
ANSWERED ON:26.04.2000
COMPENSATION TO BEREAVED FAMILIES OF FISHERMEN
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of fishermen reported dead in May, 1999 in the cyclone near Okha and the amount of compensation paid by the Government to the bereaved families;
- (b) whether there is a demand for increase in the ex gratia relief in such cases; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

- (a): The government of Gujarat has reported that 447 fishermen died and relief/compensation was paid to the families of 419 victims. The State Government had decided to pay compensation at the rate of Rs.1.00 lakh each in the case of adult and Rs.70,000 each in the case of minor.
- (b): No, Sir.
- (c): Does not arise.