GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1389
ANSWERED ON:26.02.2003
INDIAN INSURGENTS IN BANGLADESH
BHASKAR RAO PATIL;NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA;RAGHUNATH JHA;SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Union Government have handed over a list of Indian insurgents currently living in Bangladesh as reported in the Times of India dated January 29, 2003,
- (b) If so, whether the Indian Government have urged Bangladesh for the repatriation of these insurgents and ,
- (c) If so, the response of Bangladesh Government thereto and the current status of the said matter?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

- (a) Yes.
- (b) & (c) This issue has been taken up with Government of Bangladesh at various levels repeatedly and most recently during the visit of Foreign Minister of Bangladesh. He reiterated the assurances of Government of Bangladesh that it would not allow its territory to be used for anti-Indian activities.