GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:507 ANSWERED ON:26.07.2000 FLOOD AND FAMINE AJAY SINGH CHAUTALA;ANANTRAO GUDHE;ANNA SAHEB M.K. PATIL;BRIJLAL KHABRI;PUTTASWAMY GOWDA;RAJO SINGH;UTTAMRAO NATHUJI DHIKALE

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to make long term or short term plan to face the flood and drought situation, every year, in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount allocated for the purpose during the last three years, State-wise and year- wise;

(d) the proposals received from the States for additional relief to tackle the problem of flood and famine in the country during 1999-2000 and till date; and

(e) the details of recommendations made by the 11th Finance Commission in regard to National Calamity Relief Fund and accepted by the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a) & (b): In addition to release of Central share of Calamity Relief Fund(CRF) to the Statesevery year, a number of Central Plan schemes like Flood Control Schemes, Soil Conservation in the Catchments of River Valley Projects and Flood Prone Rivers, Disaster Prone Areas Programme, Desert Development Programme, already being implemented, have componentsfor disaster mitigation towards long term rehabilitation measures.

(c): A statement indicating the Statewise allocation of funds during the last three years under CRF is attached.

(d): The Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Goa Gujarat, HimachaPradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Orissa, Rajasthan and Tripura had submitted proposals for additional Central assistance.

(e) As per the interim recommendations of the Eleventh Finance Commission, instalments of Central share of Calamity Relief Fund for the year 2000-2001 have been released to the States.

CALAMITY RELIEF FUND FOR 1997-2000

(Rs. Lakhs)

State Calamity Relief Fund 1997-98 1998-99 1999-2000

Andhra Pradesh 13105 13773 14359 Arunachal Pradesh 743 781 813 Assam 5277 5547 5783 Bihar 5483 5763 6007 Goa 113 119 124 Gujarat 14731 15483 16140 Haryana 2644 2779 2897 Himachal Pradesh 2844 2989 3116 Jammu & Kashmir 2079 2184 2279 Karnataka 4416 4641 4839