GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:218
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2003
DISASTER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
VILAS BABURAO MUTTEMWAR

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a Committee on Disaster Management had inter alia recommended the setting up of a Specialised Disaster Management Force on the lines of the Border Security Force so as to be prepared to deal with any natural disaster in the country;
- (b) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon;
- (c) the strength of the force and the vulnerable States where the personnel of this force have been deployed;
- (d) whether the State Governments have also been demanding adequate allocation of funds for creating the required infrastructure to deal with the natural disasters;
- (e) if so, whether the Central Government has agreed to provide funds to the affected States on year to year basis; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the funds provided so far, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SWAMI CHINMAYANAND)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 218 FOR 16.12.2003 BY SHRI \ MUTTEMWAR REGARDING DISASTER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

- (a) & (c): Though there is no specific recommendation by any Committee regarding setting up of a Specialised Disaster Management Force on the lines of the Border Security Force, the Ministry of Home Affairs have earmarked one battalion each of Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), Indo Tibetan Border Police Force (ITBPF), Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) and Border Security For (BSF) for training and equipping as the specialized teams for emergency response and deployment at different locations in the country in the areas affected/likely to be affected by natural disasters.
- (d) to (f): The Ministry of Home Affairs have advised the State Governments to take steps to strengthen their capability for disaster management. These include setting up of specialized search and rescue teams at the state level. The State Governments can use the funds available in the Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) of the State for meeting the expenditure on providing immediate relief to the victims of natural calamities. Expenditure on training of the specialised search and rescue teams can also be met by the State Governments from the CRF. In addition, they can spend up to 10% of the annual allocation to the CRF for the procurement of essential search, rescue and evacuation equipment, including communication equipment. The Government of India contributes 75% of the total yearly allocation to the CRF of each State. In case of natural calamities of severe nature requiring expenditure over and above the corpus of CRF of a State, additional financial assistance is also provided to the State by the Government of India from the National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF) after following the established procedure. The details of the funds provided to the State Governments during 2003-04 under CRF are at Annexure-1

ANNEXURE-1

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CALAMITY RELIEF FUND 2003-04 As on 10.12.2003

(As per the final report of EFC) (Rs. in lakhs)

First six Centre's Share Balance Centre's Amount Second

State Centre States Total monthly Released in Centre share Due on 1st instalment Share Share Instalment of Advance during share released Instalment Due Centre's share 2002-03 for 2002-03 During 2003-04 $ 2003-04 2003-04 (01.05.2003) (01.11.03)
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1 Andhra Pr. 17196 5732 22928 8598.00 0.00 0.00 17196.00 0.00 0.00 2 Arunachal Pr. 1044 348 1392 522.00 0.00 0.00 1044.00 0.00 0.00
3 Assam 8812 2937 11749 4406.00 0.00 0.00 4406.00 0.00 4406.00
4 Bihar 5814 1938 7752 2907.00 0.00 0.00 2907.00 0.00 2907.00
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5 Chhattisgarh 2385 795 3180 1192.50 0.00 0.00 1192.50 0.00 1192.50
6 Goa 108 36 144 54.00 0.00 0.00 159.50 0.00 0.00 7006.50 7 Gujarat 14013 4671 18684 7006.50 0.00 0.00 7006.50 0.00 7006.50 8 Haryana 7059 2353 9412 3529.50 0.00 0.00 3529.50 0.00 3529.50 9 Himachal Pr. 3775 1258 5033 1887.50 0.00 0.00 1887.50 0.00 1887.50 10 J & K 3030 1010 4040 1515.00 0.00 0.00 1515.00 0.00 1515.00
11 Jharkhand 4922 1641 6563 2461.00 0.00 0.00 7149.00 0.00 2461.00 12 Karnataka 6474 2158 8632 3237.00 0.00 0.00 6474.00 0.00 0.00
13 Kerala 5838 1946 7784 2919.00 0.00 0.00 5838.00 0.00 0.00
14 Madhya Pr. 5439 1812 7251 2719.50 0.00 0.00 5439.00 0.00 0.00
15 Maharashtra 13649 4550 18199 6824.50 0.00 0.00 13649.00 0.00 0.00
16 Manipur 249 83 332 124.50 0.00 118.50 0.00 124.50 124.50
17 Meghalaya 342 114 456 171.00 0.00 0.00 342.00 0.00 0.00
18 Mizoram 258 86 344 129.00 0.00 0.00 252.00 0.00 129.00 19 Nagaland 170 57 227 85.00 0.00 0.00 166.00 0.00 85.00
20 Orrisa 9504 3168 12672 4752.00 0.00 0.00 9504.00 0.00 0.00
21 Punjab 10655 3552 14207 5327.50 0.00 0.00 0.00 5327.50 5327.50
22 Rajasthan 17972 5991 23963 8986.00 4493.00 0.00 13479.00 0.00 0.00
23 Sikkim 600 200 800 300.00 0.00 0.00 885.50 0.00 0.00 24 Tamil Nadu 8911 2970 11881 4455.50 0.00 0.00 4455.00 0.00 4455.50
25 Tripura 451 150 601 225.50 0.00 0.00 0.00 225.50 225.50
26 Uttar Pradesh 12700 4233 16933 6350.00 0.00 0.00 6350.00 0.00
27 Uttaranchal 2810 937 3747 1405.00 0.00 0.00 2743.00 0.00 1405.00
28 West Bengal 8778 2926 11704 4389.00 0.00 0.00 4389.00 0.00 4389.00
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Total 172958 57652 230610 86479.00 4493.00 118.50 121958.00 5677.50 47396.00

Colum (5+7)-(6+8)

\$ 1st instalment of Centre's of CRF for the year 2003-04 has not been released for want of information relating to crediting of earlier released funds, utilisation certificate and annual report.