GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LAW AND JUSTICE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1751 ANSWERED ON:28.11.2002 CORRUPTION IN JUDICIARY NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA;SHYAMA SINGH

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Chief Justice of India has opposed the setting up of National Judicial Commission;
- (b) if so, whether the existing system of appointment of judges is not found satisfactory;
- (c) if so, the facts thereof; and
- (d) the procedure to be followed by the Government in the appointment of judges?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. JANA KRISHNAMURTHY):

(a) to (d) The attention of the Government has been drawn to a report in a section of the Press that the Chief Justice of India does not reportedly see any need for a National Judicial Commission, as, in his view, the present system of Collegium has worled well. The Government is committed to setting up of a National Judicial Commission, which wouldmake recommendations for appointment of Judges/Chief Justices of High Courts and the Supreme Court, as also draw up a Code of Ethics for Judges.