GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2733 ANSWERED ON:17.08.2004 REHABILITATION OF REFUGEES Chatterjee Shri Santasri

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the Government of West Bengal for proper rehabilitation of the refugees;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (c) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be cleared by the Union Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIRAO HODLYA GAVIT)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b)&(c): A proposal seeking an amount of Rs.5010.60 crore has been received from Government of West Bengal in July, 2004 for providing physical and economic rehabilitation to displaced persons from erstwhile East Pakistan. The proposal includes infrastructure development of colonies, acquisition of land and economic assistance to displaced persons. It is not possible to indicate a time-frame for taking a decision on the proposal.