GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EARTH SCIENCES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4161 ANSWERED ON:04.05.2007 IMPACT OF GLOBAL WARMING ON AGRICULUTURE Nikhil Kumar Shri

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether recent studies conducted by United Kingdom and the United Nations have revealed that the temperature rise/climate changes will hit the crop production in the country badly as reported in various newspapers recently;
- (b) if so, whether any assessment has been made by the government in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;

Answer

MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

- (a) No Sir, while it is true that the inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change set up by the United Nations in its recent 4th Assessment Report contains broad prediction on climate change and its likely impact on agriculture, these are in the way of general observation without particular reference to India.
- (b)&(c) Does not arise.