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Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the global warming phenomenon has manifested itself in coastal village in Orissa;
- (b) whether unprecedented rains and floods in various parts of the country is due to climate change; and
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

- (a) No Sir. At present, it is difficult to isolate the impacts of global warming at specific locations because a multitude of complex physical factors are responsible for local level changes
- (b) No Sir. The rains and floods that have occurred are within the natural rainfall variations. These observed events can not be exclusively attributed to climate change.
- (c) Does not arise.