

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2933

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TSUNAMI DISASTER

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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether various State Governments have agreed to adopt a few tsunami hit villages;

(b) if so, the details in this regard, State-wise;

(c) whether the State Governments collected donations from MLAs, Government employees had deputed six ministers to oversee relief work in Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Andaman and Nicobar and Lakshadweep;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the plans for development of these villages and cost thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a)&(b): The State Governments, being primarily responsible for providing relief to the affected people are taking rehabilitation measures with assistance from the Government of India, State Governments, NGOs and others.

(c)&(d): The national response in the Tsunami disaster has been overwhelming. The Government employees and Members of Legislative Assemblies have also given donations. The Prime Minister, the Chairperson, UPA, the Home Minister and other Union Ministers have also visited the affected areas to see the progress of relief work in the affected States/UTs.

(e): The details of such villages have not, so far, been given by the concerned State Governments to the Ministry of Home Affairs.