

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3119
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UTILIZATION OF INDIAN ASSISTANCE BY BANGLADESH
Kurup Adv. Suresh

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Union Government has signed any memorandum of understanding with Bangladesh for governing the utilisation of Indian assistance to that nation;
- (b) If so, the details thereof, and
- (c) the details of areas in which the amount is likely to be utilised?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) & (b) Yes Sir. A Memorandum of Understanding governing the utilisation of Rs. 100 Crores assistance given by India for flood relief was signed between the Government of India and the Government of Bangladesh at New Delhi on 11th February 2005.
- (c) The amount is meant to be used by Bangladesh for the procurement of foodgrains, medicines and building materials from India for the victims of the floods that hit Bangladesh in July/August 2004.