

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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DISASTER MITIGATION
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a team of the World Bank and the National Disaster Management Authority had visited Orissa and held discussions with the officials of the State on disaster mitigation;
- (b) if so, the details of issues discussed and the outcome thereof;
- (c) whether the World Bank has sanctioned certain funds for disaster mitigation;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the regions where the National Cyclone Risk Management Project is proposed to be implemented in the country; and
- (f) the details of infrastructure proposed to be created to control loss of life and property in times of natural disasters in the country including Orissa?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

- (a) to (d): Yes, Madam. The World Bank appraisal Mission which visited India has appraised the Investment Proposals of Orissa for Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project and has shown interest in funding the same.
- (e) The National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project proposed to be executed in all the 13 cyclone prone coastal States and Union Territories namely Andhra Pradesh, Orissa, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Daman & Diu, Puducherry, Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.
- (f) The project is proposed to be implemented in three phases keeping in view the vulnerability of the States and their readiness with Investment Proposals. In phase-I, Orissa and Andhra Pradesh are to be covered. The infrastructure to be constructed under the project are multi-purpose cyclone shelters, shelter-cum-godown, approach roads to proposed and existing cyclone shelters, roads connecting to habitations less than 500 or unconnected habitation, bridges, and saline embankments.