GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4904 ANSWERED ON:26.08.2010 SURVEY OF BHOPAL GAS VICTIMS Mani Shri Jose K.

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the only comprehensive survey of Bhopal gas victims undertaken by the Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) two and half decades agao is now untraceable;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the survey commenced just two weeks after the date of leak in 1984 involving the total of 478 students, 41 faculty members and 13 staff members covering more than 25,250 households in a period of 6 weeks;
- (d) if so whether the survey was funded by the Sir Dorabji Tata Trust since the then State Government refused to finance it; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a) to (e): Yes, Sir. The Government of Madhya Pradesh has informed that the survey was conducted 26 years back and the relevant documents are not readily available.