GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2603 ANSWERED ON:25.11.2010 ESTABLISHMENT OF BHOPAL GAS TRAGEDY MEMORIAL Joshi Shri Kailash

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

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the Government of Madhya Pradesh for establishing an international level memorial of Bhopal gas tragedy in the Union Carbide Complex in Bhopal;

(b) if so, the amount of funds sought for this purpose; and

(c) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken by the Union Government in this regard ?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): A proposal for construction of a memorial at a cost of `70 crore was received from the State Government of Madhya Pradesh in December,2005. The Government of Madhya Pradesh was advised to approach the Planning Commission directly for funds. The Planning Commission approved one time Additional Central Assistance of `10.00 crore to the Government of Madhya Pradesh for this purpose in the year 2006-07. A proposal for construction of Bhopal memorial with an estimated expenditure of `116.18 crore was received again from the Government of Madhya Pradesh in November, 2009. The State Government of Madhya Pradesh was again advised to take up the matter directly with Planning Commission for required funds.