GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1177 ANSWERED ON:08.08.2011 RE SETTLEMENT ON FOREST LAND Ray Shri Bishnu Pada

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to relocate/resettle the fishermen and others in the forest land who are living in low lying area near sea in Andaman and Nicobar Islands and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any survey for identifying such inhabitants in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any directives in the matter have been received in his Ministry and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN) (a) to (e): Information is being collected from the State/ UT Governments concerned. On receipt, it will be placed on floor of the house.