GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3028 ANSWERED ON:13.12.2011 DAMAGES DUE TO FLOOD Khan Shri Hassan

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was large scale damage to Ladakh and surrounding areas of Jammu and Kashmir during the floods in August, 2010;

(b) if so, the details of damages to property, loss of lives and livestock etc.;

(c) whether the State Government has submitted proposals for financial assistance to the Union Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of the Central team report on the said damages; and

(f) the funds released so far and the time by which the remaining funds are likely to be released?

Answer

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

(a) to (f) : Yes, Madam. As per information received from the State due to cloud burst/flash floods of August 2010 in Jammu & Kashmir, 236 human lives and 1805 livestock were lost. 2781 houses (including 522 huts) were damaged. And 13658.35 ha. cropped areas were affected.

On receipt of memorandum from the State of Jammu & Kashmir, Inter-Ministerial Central Team visited Jammu & Kashmir for on-the spot assessment of damage in the wake of cloudburst including flash floods/ landslides, during 2010. The High Level Committee (HLC), in its meeting held on 23.02.2011, inter-alia considered the memorandum, report of the Central Team, recommendations of the Inter¬-Ministerial Group (IMG) and the extant items & norms of assistance from SDRF and NDRF, and approved (i) Rs. 45.06 crore for cloudburst of 2010, subject to adjustment of 75% of balance available in the SDRF account of the State for the instant calamities including cloudburst. (ii) Rs. 11.10 crore from Special Component of the National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) for repair of damaged infrastructure relating to Drinking Water Supply Works.

Funds to the tune of Rs. 429.24 crore were available with the State Government for relief/ rescue operations during 2010-11.