

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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FUNDS FOR RESTORATION WORKS OF CYCLONE EFFECTED AREAS

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Tamil Nadu had demanded Rs.5,250 crore for restoration works in areas battered by cyclone `Thane` recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether that a team appointed by the Central Government visited Tamil Nadu and held discussions with the State Government officials in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the total amount released to the State Government so far?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (b): The Government of Tamil Nadu submitted memorandum to the Centre Government seeking additional central assistance of Rs.5237.01 crore from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) comprising: (i) Rs.199.575crore for rescue & relief operations and restoration in affected areas, including Rs.726.25crore for restoration of infrastructure works, and (ii) Rs.4037.12crore for restoration works of long-term/permanent nature.

(c) & (d): The Central Team visited the State from 7 to 11, January 2012 and held discussions with State Government officials. It has recommended assistance of Rs.680.80 crore. Applying NDRF norms, the Inter-Ministerial Group in the meeting held on 17.2.2012, based on the report of the Central Team, has recommended Rs.638.337crore from NDRF. An interim relief of Rs.500 crore has been released from NDRF on 11th 2012. The Central share of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) for 2011-12 is Rs.231.15 crore, which has been released.