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LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a common and single emergency number;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the present status thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI MILIND DEORA)

(a) to (c) Madam, there are separate codes for the emergency services like police(100) fire rescue (101) and ambulance (102). However '3' digit short code "108 has been reserved as Emergency & Disaster Management Helpline which is allotted on request from State Government.