GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:31 ANSWERED ON:06.08.2013 LOSSES DUE TO NATURAL CALAMITIES Antony Shri Anto;Chitthan Shri N.S.V.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of natural calamities reported in the country along with the number of persons killed/ missing and crops and property damaged during the current year, State-wise;

(b) whether any Central team has visited the affected States to assess the losses;

(c) if so, the details of the findings of the said teams, State-wise;

(d) the details of the financial assistance sought by the affected States and the amount given by the Government during the said period, State-wise; and

(e) whether some States including Uttarakhand and Kerala have sought additional assistance for the said purpose and if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (a) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 31 FOR 6.8.2013.

(a): The details of natural disasters reported by the State Governments/ Union Territories during the year 2013-14 are at Annexure-I.

(b) to (e): The State Governments concerned initially undertake relief operations in the wake of natural disasters from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) already placed at their disposal. In case of a disaster of 'severe nature' when available resources under the SDRF account are inadequate, additional assistance is extended from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) after following the laid down procedure which includes visit of Inter-Ministerial Central Team.

The States of Jammu & Kashmir, Kerala, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand have submitted memoranda during 2013-14 seeking additional central assistance from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) for supplementing their relief efforts. The State-wise details of the assistance sought, visit of the Central Teams, status of team's reports and assistance approved, are given at Annexure-II.

Details of allocation and release from SDRF including NDRF on the basis of approval given by HLC during the current year are given in Annexure-III.