GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1395 ANSWERED ON:14.07.2009 CYLINDER BLASTS IN DELHI Singh Shri Radha Mohan

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons killed including women and children due to reported cylinder blasts in NCT of Delhi during the last six months;

(b) whether any enquiry conducted in the matter;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the measures taken to prevent such incidents in future?

Answer

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

(a): The number of persons killed due to cylinder blasts during last six months as reported by Delhi Police is as follows:-

Men Women Children 15 04 02

(b) & (c): Delhi Police has registered 10 cases under Indian Penal Code in connection with incidents of cylinder blasts in NCT of Delhi during last six months.

(d): Measures taken to prevent such incidents include sensitizing people through meetings with RWAs/MWAs from time to time, directing local police to watch over shopkeepers who sell/refill illegal gas cylinders, sensitizing the public to avoid the use of illegal gas cylinders, educating customers on safety through demonstration at the time of release of new LPG connection, printing instructions on the Gas Customer Card, Providing safety leaflet to the customers, carrying out mandatory checks of the LPG installation at the customer premises etc.