GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4599 ANSWERED ON:21.04.2015 CHEMICAL ACCIDENTS Jena Shri Rabindra Kumar

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has established Central Crisis Group Alert System and Information Networking System with the States and Districts Control Rooms to prevent chemical accidents in the country;

(b) if so, that details and present Status thereof;

(c) the facilities/infrastructure/grant-in-aid provided under the programme to the States in this regard; and

(d) the progress achieved so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) & (b) Yes, the Central Crisis Group Alert System is in place as per the Chemical Accidents (Emergency Planning, Preparedness, and Response) Rules, 1996 which essentially comprises Crisis Control Room and Central Crisis Group. Central Crisis Group is in place to render assistance if any, required in the event of a chemical (industrial) accident.

(c) & (d) There is no scheme with the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for creating State Crisis Group or Crisis Control Room at State level.