

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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CASUALTIES DUE TO THUNDERSTORM
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Capital Region (NCR) was recently hit by a thunderstorm;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the loss of lives and damage to property reported; and
- (c) the details of relief and reconstruction measures taken up by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJJU)

(a) to (c): The event of thunderstorm is a natural phenomenon. However, no such damage has been reported by the National Capital Region in this regard.

As per the National Disaster Management Policy, the primary responsibility for disaster management rests with the States. Thunderstorm is not one of the eligible natural disaster for relief under the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF)/ National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF). The State Governments are required to provide relief and reconstruction measures from their own resources, to the people affected due to other than notified natural disasters including thunderstorm as per their relief codes/ manual.