GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:400 ANSWERED ON:25.11.2014 CONDITION OF WOMEN PRISONERS Chinnaraj Shri Gopalakrishnan

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a team consisting of Members of Parliament has visited the Tihar Jail to assess the condition of women prisoners;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for sending such a team during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the said team has submitted its reports to the Government; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam, a Parliamentary Committee on Empowerment of Women on the subject of "Women in Detention and Access of Justice" under the Chairmanship of Smt. Bijoya Chakravarty visited Tihar Prison on 31.10.2014 to get the feedback from the women prisoners and to study the facilities available to women prisoners in prisons. No such team, except the one visited on 31.10.2014, has visited Tihar Prison during the last three years and during the current year till date.
- (c): No report has yet been submitted by the Committee, which visited Tihar Prison on 31.10.2014.
- (d): Does not arise in view of (c) above.