Vulnerability to climate change

2613 SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA:

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

(a) whether Government is aware that as per the recent ‘gross Domestic Climate Risk’ report, nine Indian States have ranked in the top 50 regions in the world that are at risk due to climate change hazards;

(b) whether Government proposes to set up a new Climate Risk Commission at the State/district level to protect the physical and ecological basic structure from the danger of climate change; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

(a) Preparation of climate risk indices and risk assessments is a growing field of activity, undertaken by an increasing number of agencies across the world. The Government in its preparation of risk analysis and risk assessments relies on scientifically validated data, methodologies and analyses provided by public and private scientific institutions and multilateral agencies with recognized expertise in this area. However, it is also not appropriate nor possible for Government to have a view or comment on all such analyses and assessments available in the public domain. Government notes that the rising level of such activity is testimony to the rising climate change awareness across the world.

(b) and (c) No Sir. The Government is implementing the National Action Plan on Climate Change for mitigation of emissions and for adaptation and building resilience to climate vulnerabilities through National Missions anchored in different Ministries/Departments.

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