

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1038**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 31ST JULY, 2024/ SRAVANA 9, 1946 (SAKA)

MODERN EQUIPMENTS TO DISASTER RESPONSE FORCE

1038 # SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken any steps to consolidate the efforts of the State Governments in providing modern equipments to the State Disaster Response Force; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

(a) & (b): As per the National Policy on Disaster Management, raising and equipping of the State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) rests with the State/UT Governments concerned. The Central Government regularly follows up with the State/UT Governments regarding raising and equipping of the SDRF with adequate disaster response capabilities. National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) also conduct annual capacity building workshop for SDRF, in which this issue is discussed and its need is highlighted. To facilitate the State/UT Governments, the Central Government has also shared the list of disaster response equipments, with the request to equip its SDRF in line

with the NDRF. State Governments have also been advised to use 'Preparedness & Capacity Building' window of their State Disaster Response Fund for equipping their SDRF.

Besides, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) also advises State/UT regarding raising and equipping their SDRFs.
