GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †631

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25TH JUNE, 2019/ ASHADHA 4, 1941 (SAKA)

DEATHS DUE TO HEATWAVES

†631. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding deaths from the heatwaves in the country during the last five years;

(b) whether the number of deaths due to heatwaves has increased due to the lapses in providing facilities to the poor for their protection from heatwave;

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether the number of deaths due to heatwaves are higher among the poors/ labourers residing near cities as compared to rural areas where nature has not been destroyed so brutally; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a): The data on deaths due to heatwave is not being maintained centrally by this Ministry. However, as per the information received from Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, the deaths reported due to heat related illness during the

last five years are as under:

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Year	No. of deaths
	(Provisional)
2015	2040
2016	1111
2017	384
2018	25
2019	94
(till 16.06.2019)	

(b) to (e): There is no segregated economic status-wise or residential place-wise information available on deaths occurred due to heatwaves. However, with the efforts of the Central Government and State Government, numbers of death due to heat wave have declined significantly during 2016-2018.
