GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 365

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 19^{TH} NOVEMBER, 2019/ KARTIKA 28, 1941 (SAKA) PROPOSAL FOR BHARAT RATNA TO VEER SAVARKAR

365. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken steps to confer Bharat Ratna on the great revolutionary, historian, social reformer, thinker and litterateur of India, Veer Savarkar who was one of the leading personalities of indian freedom struggle and a prominent nationalist leader;
- (b) whether the Government has received representations from the public representatives in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the progress made in this regards as on date?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Recommendations for award of Bharat Ratna are received regularly from various quarters; however, no formal recommendation for this award is necessary. The decisions regarding award of Bharat Ratna are taken from time to time.
