### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 390

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2021/ ASHADHA 29, 1943 (SAKA)

#### **DESTRUCTION CAUSED BY CYCLONES TAUKTAE AND YAAS**

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#### Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether two severe cyclonic storms namely Tauktae and Yaas had struck in Gujrat and Odisha respectively including adjoing States/UTs i.e. Tauktae on 18 May 2021 and Yaas in Odisha on 26 May 2021 causing therewith heavy damages to infrastructure, human being, standing crops, domestic animals etc.;
- (b) if so, the losses suffered, the names of those States that have been severely affected along with the report of damage two property, infrastructure, crops, cattle, fishing equipments and the number of people killed/injured/displaced and missing, the details thereof, State-wise and district-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the impact of cyclone 'Tauktae and Yaas' on fishermen and damage caused by it, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has sent Central teams to assess the damage or Minister & Prime Minister visted these states for assising the

damages/implact of cyclones and if so, the outcome thereof and recommended allocation of funds to farmers for their crop losses and damages, the amount financial package / relief sought by the affected States and the assistance provided/likely to be provided by the Government, under Disaster Management Fund for Relief/Rehabilation works, State-wise including Tamil Nadu;

- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for smooth coordination of all the concerned departments of Central/State Governments to minimize the losses due to such type of calamities in future togather with remedial steps taken/in pipeline for rehabilation/restoration of life of affected persons and infratructure in these states; and
- (f) the number of NDRF and State personnel deployed and the number of persons rescued during these cyclones?

#### ANSWER

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

- (a) and (b): Cyclonic storm 'Tauktae' affected five States namely Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, the UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu (DNH&DD), and Cyclone 'Yaas' affected three States namely Odisha, West Bengal and Jharkhand. As per the memoranda/ situation reports received from the affected State Governments/UT Administration, details of reported losses/ damages is given at Annexure.
- (c) and (d): The primary responsibility of disaster management rests with the State Governments. To supplement the efforts, financial assistance is

provided to the affected States from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) as per laid down procedure for management of relief necessitated by notified natural disasters.

Memoranda/demands for financial assistance, have not been received from the State Governments of Goa, Kerala and Jharkhand. Financial assistance has been sought by States viz; Maharashtra - Rs. 92.37 crore, Karnataka - Rs. 10.89 crore, West Bengal - Rs. 4522 crore, Gujrat-Rs. 9836.01 crore and DNH&DD - Rs. 56.53 crore. Government of Odisha has not sought any financial assistance for relief measures.

In the case of cyclones Taukate and Yaas, even before the receipt of memorandum from State Governments, the Central Government constituted Inter-Ministerial Central Teams (IMCT), which had visited the affected areas of Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Odisha, West Bengal and Daman & Diu.

In the aftermath of Cyclone Tauktae & Yaas, Hon'ble Prime Minister visited the State of Gujarat on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021 and States of Odisha and West Bengal on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021. In pursuance of the announcement made by the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Central Government released additional financial assistance of Rs. 1000 crore to Gujarat, Rs. 500 crore to Odisha,

Rs. 300 crore to West Bengal and Rs. 200 crore to Jharkhand, in advance, from NDRF for management of relief necessitated by cyclonic storms Taukate and Yaas. Besides, Central Government released the first installment of Central share of SDRF for 2021-22 amounting to Rs. 8873.60 crore on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021 in advance to all States, including the cyclone affected States.

As per the established procedure, the State Governments concerned, in the wake of a natural disaster, provide necessary relief to affected people, including farmers, from SDRF already placed at their disposal. In addition, farmers are entitled for compensation under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojna (PMFBY), which is being implemented by the State Governments concerned.

(e): The National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC), headed by Cabinet Secretary, monitors and coordinates the situation with the affected States and Central Ministries/ Agencies concerned during major disasters. Indian Metrological Department (IMD) issues regular and precise forecasts & warning bulletins to all the affected/ likely to be affected States/ UTs.

There are well established institutional mechanisms at the National, State

& District levels in the country for appropriate preparedness and taking

prompt response measures for effective management of natural disasters.

Central Government has established a robust early warning system and has significantly improved the accuracy of weather forecasts. Mock exercises and community awareness programmes are being regularly conducted to create awareness among people.

The measures taken by the Central and State Governments have significantly improved the disaster management practices, preparedness, prevention and response mechanisms resulting in significant reduction in casualties during natural calamities, including cyclones, in the country. Further, strengthening of the disaster management is a continuing and evolving process of governance.

(f): For cyclone Tauktae, 71 teams (Gujarat-43, Maharashtra-4, Goa-1, Kerala-9, Karnataka-3, Tamil Nadu-5, Rajasthan-2, Daman & Diu-3, and Dadra and Nagar Haveli-1) of NDRF were deployed to assist the State/UT administrations. Similarly in the case of cyclone Yaas, 113 teams (Odisha - 52, West Bengal - 46, Jharkhand - 8, Andhra Pradesh-3, Tamil Nadu-3 and A&N Islands -1) of NDRF were deployed to assist the State/UT administrations during the cyclones.

NDRF teams assisted the State administration in mass evacuation of affected persons to safer places. As reported by the States, details of

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persons evacuated to safer places during these Cyclones, are given as under:

State/ UT	Persons evacuated	
I. For Cyclone 'Tauktae'		
Gujarat	2,38,548	
Maharashtra	13,425	
Diu	405	
Kerala	83	
2. For Cyclone 'Yaas'		
Odisha	7,03,058	
West Bengal	15,04,506	
Jharkhand	17,165	

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Statement showing details of losses/ damages as reported by States/ UTs in the wake of Cyclone Tauktae and Yaas.

(Provisional)

State	Human lives lost	Houses/ huts damage d	Cattle lost	Cropped area affected (in ha.)	Fishermen's Boats & nets damaged
Gujarat – cyclone 'Tauktae'	67	88,910	8629	149270	475 - boats
Maharashtra – cyclone 'Tauktae'	22	44,091	34	16787	1215 - boats & 21836 - nets
DNH and Daman & Diu – cyclone 'Tauktae'	1	1,203	4	51.22	29 - boats
Goa – cyclone 'Tauktae'	3	2,004	160	227	
Karnataka- cyclone 'Tauktae'	6	473	2	215.23	263 - boats & 324 - nets
Kerala- cyclone 'Tauktae'	11	5,034	91	24433	125 - boats & 282 - nets
Odisha – Cyclone 'Yaas'	3	18,094	72	5672.99	40 - boats & 14 – nets
West Bengal – Cyclone 'Yaas'		Approx 3 lakh	11740	170891	4353 - boats & 18708 - nets
Jharkhand – Cyclone 'Yaas'	4	1,508	3	74.94	

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