# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO 393 ANSWERED ON 19.07.2017

# **Sending of NDMA team to Manipur**

# 393 Shri K. Bhabananda Singh

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

- (a) whether a vast earth crack developed at Kangpokpi district in Manipur recently, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the impact caused massive damage to houses, whether landslides are likely anytime because of that and whether some villages are on the verge of being swept away;
- (c) whether Government has assessed the situation and would send NDMA teams for evacuation, assistance and rehabilitation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

- (a) Yes, Sir. An earth crack developed at Kalikhola village of Kangpokpi District on 4th June, 2017 onwards. The sinking of land affected the houses in the Kalikhola village.
- (b) As per information received from the State Government 24 houses have been damaged on account of landslides. However, no villager has been swept away.
- (c) & (d): An Expert Team formed by NDMA comprising representatives from Geological Survey of India, Central Road Research Institute, Central Water Commission and National Disaster Management Authority, visited the affected site from 14-15 June, 2017 and submitted a preliminary report

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suggesting precautionary measures to administration. The Expert team met the State Government officials, local administration and Deputy Commissioner, Kangpokpi. It was informed that District Administration has already shifted the affected people and the people from adjoining houses to other safer places.

The Expert Team has made following salient recommendations:

- (i) Identification of the vulnerable houses and evacuation.
- (ii) Further loading of the slope be avoided.
- (iii) Provision of surface drainage network to divert away from the affected slope.
- (iv) Draining out of the water from the accumulated water pool.
- (v) Cleaning of the River channel through removal of the accumulated bolder laden debris from the blocked river channel.

- (vi) Training of the river bank to resist further bank erosion.
- (vii) Filling of the existing ground cracks, wherever possible, with impervious finer material to prevent further ingression of surface water.
- (viii) Filling and leveling of the large gaping cracks, subsided parts in the left bank affected slope and road bench.
- (ix) Awareness programs for the local people may be initiated to aware them about Do's and Don'ts and sustainable land use pattern.
- (x) Surface monitoring of the affected slope to understand the dynamics of the slope mass. These recommendations have been communicated to the State Government of Manipur for appropriate action.

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