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Status Report on Kargil Operations

796. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any final assessment about the Kargil operations and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether, in addition, a status report has also been proposed with regard to the defence preparedness of the country and the failure of intelligence agencies, if any, to notifying time about the enemy advances;

(c) if so, whether a copy thereof would be laid in the House for a discussion; and

(d) if answer to parts (b) and (c) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor?

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Intimation by NC Chief about Pak activities in Kargil

797. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Chief of the then Northern Command had informed the Army Headquarters in November, 1998 about the unusual activities of Pak troops and militants in Kargil area; and