

(b) As per available information 1st World Congress on Disaster Management (WCDM) 2008 is being organized by Disaster Management Infrastructure and Control Society (DMICS), Hyderabad, a non-profit organization. Government of Andhra Pradesh and National Disaster Management Authority are the co-hosts. The Conference is scheduled to be held from October 21st to 24th 2008 at Hyderabad.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Government is taking up National Cyclone Risk Management (NCRM) programme with World Bank assistance to address to the risks of coastal districts in a holistic manner. District Disaster Management Authorities (DDMAs) have been constituted in these districts for preparing District Disaster Management Plan covering every aspect of disaster management. Under Community Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM) communities in six districts viz. Srikakulam, East Godavari, Krishna, Guntur, Prakasam and Nellore have been provided training in Disaster Management.

New bases of ISI in NE States

†534. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that ISI has established its new base in the north eastern States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has also identified that many terrorist outfits are operating from the north-eastern part by joining hands with ISI; and

(d) if so, the names of such outfits alongwith their details?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) to (d) While inputs had been received, from time to time, indicating that some of the underground groups operating in the North Eastern States have developed links with external agencies, including the ISI, there are no specific inputs available to suggest that the ISI had set up base in the North Eastern States.

Damages to lives and property due to floods

535. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the damage to lives and property due to flood in different part of the country, State-wise, particularly in UP, Bihar and Orissa;

(b) the details of the Central assistance to flood affected States during the last three years, State-wise, particularly in UP and Bihar;

(c) the details of the fund utilized by the States, State-wise; and

(d) the additional steps which Government proposes in view of the recent disaster in UP, Bihar and Orissa?

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