

#### **Lowering of height of Kishanganga dam**

†2506. SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the height of Kishanganga dam has been lowered from 98 metres to 37 metres;
- (b) whether this decision has been taken under pressure from Pakistan; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED):  
(a) The height of the Kishanganga dam was reduced, based on submergence and environment concerns, from 75.48 metres to 35.48 metres above bed level.

(b) and (c) No, does not arise.

#### **Appointment of VC of Nalanda University**

2507. SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a Vice Chancellor has been appointed in Nalanda University;
- (b) if so, whether incumbent possesses requisite teaching experience at post graduate level besides administrative experience;
- (c) the details of panel of selectors; and
- (d) the other candidates considered for this post?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED):  
(a) No.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

#### **Statement by US Secretary of State on terrorism**

†2508. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether US Secretary of State has called Pakistan a chief collaborator in war against terrorism;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.