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Indian Fishermen in Pak Jails

1510. DR. PHULRENU GUHA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian fishermen in the Pakistani jails as on date; and

(b) the steps taken by Government for their release?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Forty-five.

(b) Government are in touch with the Government of Pakistan for securing their release.

Pakistan's capacity to manufacture Air-To Air Missiles

1511. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan has attained the capacity to manufacture air-to-air missile;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the reaction of Government thereto; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b). Government have seen reports to the effect that Pakistan has tested an indigenously developed air-to-air missile with a range of 10 Kms. on June 21, 1989.

(c) and (d). Government keep a constant watch on all developments having a bearing on India's security and take appropriate measures to safeguard it.

Composition of National Land Use and Conservation Board

1512. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the composition of the National Land Use and Conservation Board; and

(b) the representation given to the Scheduled Castes thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b). A statement indicating the composition of the National Land Use & Conservation Board (NLCB) is given below. Present, 28 staff members including officers are in position. As the NLCB is a part of the Ministry of Agriculture, the staff required to service the Board is provided by the Ministry out of its over-all staff. Staff recruitment of the Ministry of Agriculture is made in accordance with the prescribed rules/procedure. Four staff members of the NLCB belong to Scheduled Castes (SC)/Scheduled Tribes (ST) (three SC and one ST).

STATEMENT

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| i) Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission | Chairman |
| ii) Chairman, National Wastelands Development Board | Member |

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| iii) Member-in-Charge of Agriculture | Member |
| iv) Planning Commission | Member |
| v) Chairman, Advisory Board on Energy Secretaries—Departments of Irrigation, Works & Housing Rural Development, Environment, forests & Wildlife, Finance (Expenditure), Mines, Shipping & Transport, Railways, Industries and Planning Commission. | Member (II) |
| vi) Director-General, Indian Council of Agricultural Research | Member |
| vii) Chairman, Central Water Commission | Member |
| viii) Chairman, Watershed Development Council | Member |
| ix) Land Resources Commissioner, Department of Agriculture & Cooperations | Member |
| x) Chief Planner, Town & Country Planning Organisation, Ministry of Works and Housing | Member |
| xi) Agriculture Commissioner, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation | Member |
| xii) Economic and Statistical Adviser, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation | Member |
| xiii) 5 representatives from States (one from each region). Membership to be rotated within the region amongst the member States on yearly basis, representatives to be nominated preferably by the concerned State Land Use Boards. | Members (5) |
| xiv) 6 Experts in the field of Soil Conservation, flood, control, land reclamation, development of deserts/hill areas/drought prone areas, town and country planning, rural development, environment etc. | Members (6) |
| xv) Secretary (Agriculture and Cooperation) | Member- Secretary |
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