

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1204
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2003
NETAJI ENQUIRY COMMISSION
RAVI PRAKASH VERMA;V. VETRISELVAN

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have ever constituted a Commission to investigate the circumstances of disappearances of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether said Commission has submitted its report;
- (d) if so, the salient features thereof; and
- (e) if not, the time by which the report is likely to be submitted?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e): The Government had appointed Shah Nawaz Khan Committee in April, 1956 and Khosla Commission in July, 1970 to inquire into the circumstances concerning the departure of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose from Bangkok about the 16th August 1945, his reported death as a result of an aircraft accident and subsequent developments connected therewith. The Shah Nawaz Khan Committee and Khosla Commission had come to the conclusion that Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose met his death in an aircrash.

In May 1999, the Government appointed a one-man Commission of Inquiry consisting of Justice M.K. Mukherjee, a retired judge of the Supreme Court of India, to inquire into all the facts and circumstances related to the disappearance of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose in 1945 and subsequent developments connected therewith including.

- (i) Whether Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose is dead or alive;
- (ii) if he is dead, whether he died in the plane crash, as alleged;
- (iii) whether the ashes in the Japanese temple are ashes of Netaji;
- (iv) whether he has died in any other manner at any other place and, if so, when and how;
- (v) if he is alive, in respect of his whereabouts. Justice Mukherjee Commission has not yet submitted its report. Its tenure has been extended from time to time and the present extension is upto 14/11/03.