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PUC is a letter dated 21.4.2003 from the Deputy Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi regarding Lok Sabha USQ No. 5176 for answer on 25.4.2003 raised by S/Shri. S.Ajaya Kumar, Sadashivrao Dadoba Mandik, C.N. Singh and Sunil Khan, MPs about 'Starvation Death of Tribals'. The Govt. of India has desired this Administration to furnish the part-wise information in respect of the following question to their Ministry urgently.

- a) Whether the Government are aware of the deaths of tribals due to starvation and malnutrition in several parts of the country especially in Nandurbar in Maharashtra;
- b) if so, the State-wise number of deaths of tribals occurred during 2001-2002 and the current year;
- c) Whether the Union Government have sought a report in this regard from the State Government;
- d) if so, the details thereof; and
- e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to prevent the recurrence of such deaths of tribals?

So far as this UT is concerned, no death of tribals of this UT has been reported due to starvation and malnutrition. However, we may call for the requisite information from the DC, Nicobars, Tehsildar, Hut Bay and Executive Secretary, AAJVS, if approved. A draft letter is put up for perusal and approval please.

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