GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 2994

ANSWERED ON- 09/08/2024

REHABILITATION OF INDIANS RETURNING FROM GCC COUNTRIES

2994. DR. M P ABDUSSAMAD SAMADANI

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether the Government is aware of the challenges faced in the rehabilitation of expatriates returning from GCC countries and assisting them in their resettlement;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have any plan to implement welfare and social security schemes, including pensions, for these expatriates on their return to India; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a to d) The Government accords the highest priority to the welfare and safety of Indian nationals abroad including providing necessary

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assistance to distressed Indians overseas. The responsibility of resettlement of the returnees rests with the State Governments, from where the emigrants have gone overseas. Various State Governments have developed ways and means to rehabilitate workers returned from GCC countries.

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