

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2068
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U.N. AID FOR TROOPS AND EQUIPMENTS
RAMCHANDRA BAINDA

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any discussion/negotiation has been held between Indian Government and U.N. authorities regarding payment for troops and equipments contributed by India and various peace-keeping operations in different countries in the world.
- (b) if so, the likely amount to be paid by the U.N. authorities to the Indian Government; and
- (c) the time by which this amount is likely to be received?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a), (b) & (c) Yes Sir. The reimbursement of cost of troops and equipment contributed by India for various peacekeeping operations is under discussion/negotiation with the UN. The UN authorities have so far certified that an amount of US \$ 26.06 million is to be paid to the Government of India. Additional claims are being processed. Majority of claims relate to India's peacekeeping activities in Somalia (UNOSOM). The payment by the UN is released on availability of funds from Member States. Government of India is pressing for early settlement of claims.