

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:478
ANSWERED ON:21.11.2001
ATROCITIES ON PEOPLE OF INDIAN ORIGIN
SRICHAND KRIPALANI

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in the changed circumstances after the assassination of Royal family, the Government have taken up the matter with the Government of Nepal regarding increasing atrocities, like demand of ransom, kidnappings and extortion of money committed on Rajasthani people specially from Shekhavati region living in Nepal; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS) (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a) & (b) Abductions, extortion and intimidation of members of the business community in Nepal, including those of Indian origin, by extremist elements have continued in Nepal. However, no targeting of any specific group or community has come to our notice.