

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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

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- (a) whether the lower staff in various Indian missions abroad especially in Europe, are given bonus and other perks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reasons for granting extra privileges to them?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a & b) Local staff in 161 Indian Missions & Posts abroad are being given bonus and other perquisites as per local entitlements. These perquisites include bonus, gratuity, medical insurance and social security.

(c) Payments in this regard are made on the basis of the mandatory local labour laws of the concerned countries or local traditions where it is customary to pay these perquisites.