

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:145
ANSWERED ON:03.12.2003
COMMITTEE ON HAJ YATRA
ABDUL RASHID SHAHEEN

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government propose to set up a Committee of eminent persons to make Haj Yatra comfortable and more pleasant; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including making the pilgrimage less expensive?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA)

a) No, Sir. However, a new Haj Committee has been constituted on 15th September, 2003 under the new Haj Committee Act, 2002 which continuously overlooks all the arrangements to make Haj Yatra comfortable and more pleasant for the pilgrims going through the Haj Committee of India.

b) Does not arise.