

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2369
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POOR LIVING CONDITIONS OF INDIAN CITIZENS
AMAR ROY PRADHAN

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of letters received from MPs by the Ministry during the last three years about the poor living conditions of Indian citizens in Indian Enclaves within the territory of Bangladesh; and

(b) the action taken so far by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) One.

(b) The Government is committed to the exchange of the enclaves in accordance with the terms of the 1974 Land Boundary Agreement signed between India and Bangladesh. The two governments established Joint Boundary Working Groups to discuss this and other pending matters relating to the implementation of the 1974 Agreement.