GOVERNMENT OF INDIA OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3578 ANSWERED ON:01.12.2010 RELIGIOUS RITES BY HINDUS Agarwal Shri Jai Prakash

Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Hindus living in some countries are not allowed to conduct their religious rites viz, cremations, worshipping etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken up the issue with these countries; and
- (d) if so, the outcome thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

(a) to (d): Rules relating to death rituals are governed by the laws of the host countries. Whenever specific problems are brought to the notice of the Indian missions abroad, they take the matter up with the local authorities.