

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3459
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HAJ OPERATION TO MINORITY AFFAIRS MINISTRY
Mutterwar Shri Vilas Baburao

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to transfer the Haj operations from Ministry of External Affairs to the Ministry of Minority Affairs;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) If not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SHASHI THAROOR)

- (a) to (c): No. Haj Act 2002 has made Ministry of External Affairs as the nodal Ministry for Haj related work.