

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of nurses working in Libya lost their earnings and belongings as they left that country abruptly because of the unrest there; and

(b) the steps taken to help them in getting employment and to relocate their children in various schools to enable them to continue their studies?

Answer

MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS(SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

(a): Yes, Sir. As a consequence of the unrest and uprising in Libya 17,927 Indians including nurses were evacuated by the Government.

(b): The Government has constituted an Inter-Ministerial Committee of Secretaries under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary to examine issues relating to repatriation, relief and rehabilitation of Indian nationals affected by the recent developments in West Asia / Gulf / North Africa regions. State Governments concerned were also requested to assist them and provide relief where necessary.