## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:372 ANSWERED ON:23.11.2011 HAJ QUOTA TO MPS Rathwa Shri Ramsinhbhai Patalbhai

## Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Government's Haj quota this year;
- (b) the number of seats that have been allotted to Haj pilgrims on the recommendations of Members of Parliament;
- (c) the maximum and minimum number of seats allotted on the recommendation of various MPs; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to make the allotment of Government Haj quota just and transparent?

## **Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SMT. PRENEET KAUR)

- (a) The Haj quota for Haj-2011 was 1,70,491 comprising 1,25,000 for Haj Committee of India and 45,491 for Private Tour Operators.
- (b) to (d) 5,561 seats were distributed during Haj-2011 to Hajis on the recommendations of the Hon'ble Ministers, Members of Parliament and other dignitaries. Allocation of seats recommended as above are based on the availability of seats. The details of allocation of seats under Government quota are also placed on the website of Haj Committee of India.