

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:389
ANSWERED ON:23.11.2011
MIGRATION OF HINDUS FROM PAKISTAN
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that some Hindu families have come from Pakistan to Delhi due to ill-treatment meted out to them in Pakistan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the measures being contemplated by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Government has seen reports that a number of Pakistani nationals belonging to the minority communities visit India and apply for long-term visas. Government has from time to time come across reports on the problems faced by members of the minority communities in Pakistan. Incidents of persecution and intimidation of the minority communities have been reported. It is the responsibility of the Government of Pakistan to discharge its obligations towards its citizens, including those from the minority community. However, based on reports of persecution of minority groups in Pakistan, Government had taken up the matter with the Government of Pakistan. The Government of Pakistan stated that it was fully cognizant of the situation and looked after the welfare of all its citizens, particularly the minority community.