

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1561

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DUES ON UNO

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of reimbursement of outstanding dues from United Nations Organisation (UNO) in connection with India's participation in UN peace keeping operations till 31 October 2011;
- (b) the reasons for delay in payment; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) As per the latest figures made available by the UN, as on 31 October 2011, approximately US \$52.40 million reimbursement is outstanding from the United Nations in connection with India's participation in UN peacekeeping operations, of which US \$15.24 million is for troop and police costs and US \$37.16 million is for the cost of equipment.
- (b) Shortage of funds with the UN, due to non-timely payment of budget contributions by some member states, has caused such delays in reimbursement.
- (c) The Government of India has periodically asked the UN to settle its outstanding dues.