

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4575  
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PERMANENT MISSION IN GENEVA  
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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total expenditure incurred by the Government on the country's permanent Mission at Geneva during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) the total number of staff deployed at that Mission;
- (c) the main functions of this Mission;
- (d) whether expenditure is being incurred by the Government on the facilities being provided to the staff stationed at Geneva;
- (e) if so, the details thereof for the last three years;
- (f) whether any case of misappropriation of funds has come to the notice of the Government in this regard; and
- (g) if so, the steps taken or being taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) The details of expenditure incurred by the Government on the Permanent Mission of India at Geneva during the last three financial years are as follows:

2008-09      Rs. 29.45 crore

2009-10      Rs. 29.72 crore

2010-11      Rs. 29.60 crore

(b) The total number of staff deployed in the Mission is 55 including 41 India-based officials and 14 local staff.

(c) The Permanent Mission of India in Geneva looks after India's diplomatic interaction with international organizations in Geneva accredited to the United Nations, the World Trade Organization and the Conference on Disarmament. The Consulate General of India which is also a part of the Mission performs consular functions including passport and visa services, issuance of Persons of Indian Origin/Overseas Citizens of India cards etc.

(d) No expenditure is being incurred on any facilities for the staff stationed at Geneva apart from that on their entitlement. Details of expenditure in respect of Salary, Wages, Overtime Allowance, Medical Expenses, Foreign Travel Expenses and Rent, Rates & Taxes are given at ANNEXURE.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) No.

(g) Does not arise.