

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3255  
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PROBLEMS FACED BY HAJ PILGRIMS  
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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government is considering any proposal to solve the problems being faced by Haj pilgrims in the country as well as abroad; and

(b) if so, the time by which the Government is likely to have a final decision on Haj reforms?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) The Haj pilgrimage is a very complex organizational task undertaken by Government of India (GOI) outside its borders for which extensive arrangements are made in India and Saudi Arabia.

Problems encountered by pilgrims are dealt with in the best possible manner. It is the constant endeavour of GOI to improve the Haj management with a view to provide the best possible service for the Haj pilgrimage based on the experience gained in each Haj operation and in consultation with all stakeholders.