

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4201  
ANSWERED ON:02.05.2012  
SINKING OF SHIP  
Bajirao Shri Patil Padamsinha

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

- (a) whether a luxury cruise Italian ship sank off Italy's Western Coast;
- (b) if so, the number of Indians on board of this ship;
- (c) whether there has been any casualty to Indian nationals; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Yes. Costa Concordia, a luxury cruise liner capsized off the western coast of Italy, near the island of Giglio on 13 January 2012.
- (b) to (d) There were 203 Indian nationals on board the ship. These included 202 crew members and one passenger. 202 Indian nationals were safely rescued and have since returned to their families. One Indian crew member, Mr. Russel Terrence Rebello, is still reported to be missing.