

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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MISBEHAVIOUR BY INDIAN DIPLOMAT  
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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a case of misbehaviour with a woman by an Indian diplomat posted in South Africa, has come to the cognizance of the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken so far in this regard;
- (c) whether the said diplomat has been called back to India;
- (d) if not, the rationale behind the stay of the said diplomat in that country;
- (e) whether this kind of act tarnishes the image of India; and
- (f) if so, the remedial measures being taken to check such incidents in future?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) to (f) One such case at the Indian Cultural Centre in Johannesburg has been brought to the attention of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR). The case is being investigated by the Committee on Sexual Harassment of ICCR. Further action would be taken on the basis of the findings of the investigation. The Ministry takes allegations and incidents of sexual harassment very seriously and takes strict action if such allegations are proved.