

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3860

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AMARNATH YATRA

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding Amarnath Yatra from the pilgrims;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether due to reduced duration of the pilgrimage/tour, the number of pilgrims increased manifold leading to the mismanagement;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a) & (b): No Madam. Shri Amarnathji yatra is organized by the Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board (SASB); which is a body created by an Act of the Jammu & Kashmir State Legislature.
- (c): As per inputs received from Shri Amanathji Shrine Board, the available data does not provide adequate basis to conclude that a shortened period of yatra results in more pilgrims on the track everyday.
- (d) to (e): Does not arise.