GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:127 ANSWERED ON:04.03.2015 INDIAN HOSTAGES ABROAD Dhotre Shri Sanjay Shamrao;Mahtab Shri Bhartruhari

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents of Indian nationals being held as hostages in foreign countries that have come to the notice of the Government during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise;

(b) the number of persons killed, released in such incidents and repatriated during the said period, country-wise;

(c) whether the Government has provided assistance/ relief/ rehabilitation to individuals who have lost their livelihood in such incidents and if so, the details thereof alongwith the expenditure incurred in this regard;

(d) whether the Government has taken up the hostage issue with the countries concerned during the said period; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the support extended by foreign countries in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a)to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.