## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1504 ANSWERED ON:04.03.2015 DESECRATION OF NATIONAL FIGURE Senthilnathan Shri PR.;Vellaigounder Shri Elumalai

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of reports regarding a US based brewing company selling beer named after Mahatma Gandhi;
- (b) if so, the facts and details thereof;
- (c) whether the matter has been raised with the concerned company; and
- (d) if so, the details and response thereto?

## **Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS [GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

- (a) & (b) The Government is aware of the reports that a small local company (New England Brewing Company) in the state of Connecticut in the United States, has been marketing a kind of beer named `Gandhi-Bot`.
- (c) & (d) The matter has been taken up with the relevant US authorities and the company. The State officials, including the Glastonbury State representative have also raised the issue with the company.