

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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MEMORIAL FOR DECEASED OFFICERS  
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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Ministry proposes to erect a memorial in Delhi for its officers who have laid down their lives overseas in the call of duty and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of such officers who sacrificed their lives abroad, country-wise; and
- (c) the assistance extended by the Government to the kith and kin of these deceased officers?

**Answer**

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

(a) The Ministry has dedicated a memorial in Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan, New Delhi in commemoration of those who have laid down their lives overseas in the call of duty. The memorial was unveiled by the Prime Minister on February 7, 2015.

(b) The number of officers who sacrificed their lives abroad country-wise are as follows:

United Kingdom: 1 (one)  
Afghanistan: 6 (six)

(c) The Government has extended all assistance to the kith and kin of these deceased officers including repatriation of mortal remains, immediate release of ex-gratia payment and other admissible benefits.