## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:350 ANSWERED ON:22.07.2015 Indian Labourers under Captivity of Sri Lanka Kumar Shri P.

## Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of Indian labourers are held captives in many countries including Sri Lanka;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of steps taken by the Government to find an amicable solution to this issue and to get the Indian workers released from those countries?

## **Answer**

- (a) & (b) As per information received from Indian Embassy, Baghdad 39 Indians workers are held under the captivity of Islamic state of Mosul.
- (C) A group of senior officials are stationed in Erbil in Kurdistan Autonomous Regions of Iraq to liaison with Government authorities and individuals helping to secure their release. The Mission is also in regular touch with various Government authorities in Baghdad.