GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:199 ANSWERED ON:24.02.2015 ATTACK ON FOREIGN TOURISTS Scindia Shri Jyotiraditya Madhavrao

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether various incidents of crime and attack on foreigners have been reported in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of such cases reported, guilty persons arrested and the action taken against them during each of the last three years and the current year, crime and State-wise;

(c) whether there has been a decline in the number of foreign tourists visiting the country in the past six months due to these attacks;

(d) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of foreigners who visited the country during the said period; and

(e) the corrective steps taken to ensure the safety of foreign tourists along with the details of advisories issued to the State Governments and Police Departments in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) & (b) : Some incidents of crime and attack on foreigners have been reported in recent past, however law and order being state subject relevant data is not centrally maintained in the Ministry of Home Affairs.

(c) & (d): No Madam. The details of the tourist visa issued from 1st July to 31st December 2014 and corresponding period in the year 2013 are annexed in Annexure-I.

(e): Under the mission mode NFRT (Immigration, Visa, Foreigner Registration and Tracking) project C-FRO software(Centralised Foreigners Registration Office) has been implemented in 450 FRRO/FRO(Foreigners Regional Registration Offices/Foreigners Registration Offices). C -form (Registration of Foreigners by Hotels/ Dharamshalas) and S-form (Registration of foreign students by universities/Institutes) have been also implemented in the 450 districts. These steps will enable efficient registration and tracking of the foreign tourists. Unique case file (UCF) system has also been introduced for maintaining history of the foreigners. Regular training and instructions are being issued to FRO for the efficient tracking of foreign tourists.