

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:175
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THREAT TO INDIAN HIGH COMMISSION EMBASSY ABROAD
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian High Commissions/Embassies face frequent security threats;
- (b) if so, details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to augment the provisions of security in consultation with the respective countries; and
- (d) if so, the details and outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTENAL AFFAIRS (GEN. RETD. V.K. SINGH)

(a) & (b) The Indian Embassy and the four Indian Consulates in Afghanistan have been facing high security threats on a continued basis. Recently, the Indian Consulate in Herat had been attacked by terrorist elements suspected to belong to the Lashkar-e-Toiba.

(c) & (d) The Government has been updating, on a regular basis, security systems at our Missions and Posts. These upgradations are invariably undertaken after close consultation with and assistance of local security agencies.