GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:247 ANSWERED ON:09.07.2014 HAJ Kodikunnil Shri Suresh

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any specific reservations were allowed for Haj Pilgrimage during the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the quota allocated for Haj Pilgrimage this year, State-wise including Kerala;
- (d) whether the selection procedure of pilgrims have been completed; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Specific reservations have been allowed for Haj Pilgrimage during the current year for the following two categories:
- (i) Reserved Category A: 70+applicants who have completed 70 years or more as on 31 January 2014 (i.e. applicants born on or before 1st February 1944) along with one companion.
- (ii) Reserved Category B: Fourth Timer Applicants: An applicant who has applied continuously in each of the last three years viz 2011, 2012, 2013 but was not selected in Qurrah or was selected but could not proceed for Haj.
- (c) The allotment of quota for Haj pilgrimages this year is available on the official website of Haj Committee of India. The list from Haj Committee of India indicating state-wise quota is enclosed. Kerala has been allotted a total quota of 6280.
- (d) Yes.
- (e) Not applicable.

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Sr. No. STATE TOTAL QUOTA
1 ANDAMAN & NICOBAR 123
2 ANDHRA PRADESH 5580
3 ASSAM
         3781
4 BIHAR 6667
5 CHANDIGARH 55
6 CHHATTISGARH 328
7 DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI 28
8 DAMAN & DIU 41
9 DELHI 1297
10 GOA
       154
11 GUJARAT 3668
12 HARYANA 977
13 HIMACHAL PRADESH 81
14 JAMMU & KASHMIR 6925
15 JHARKHAND 2980
16 KARNATAKA 5162
17 KERALA 6280
18 LAKSHADWEEP 296
19 MADHYA PRADESH 3067
20 MAHARASTRA 8202
21 MANIPUR 302
22 ORISSA
           608
23 PONDICHERRY 135
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- 24 PUNJAB 305

- 25 RAJASTHAN 3823 26 TAMIL NADU 2772 27 TRIPURA 85 28 UTTAR PRADESH 24550
- 29 UTTARAKHAND 809 30 WEST BENGAL 9906 TOTAL 98987