

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 26.07.2010
ANSWERED ON
HARASSMENT OF MINORITY COMMUNITIES .

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Shri Sabir Ali

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government is aware that minority (communities particularly women are being harassed by anti social elements in Mayurbhanj district of Orissa;
- (b) whether the National Minority Commission has received any report to that effect; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the safeguards being considered for safety of women and senior citizens of the area ?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

(SALMAN KHURSHID)

(a to c) The National Commission for Minorities (NCM) received a representation in November, 2009 alleging harassment of minority women residing in Mayurbhanj, Orissa by some anti-social elements. A report was called for by NCM in the matter from Government of Orissa. The report of the State Govt, revealed that an on-the-spot inquiry was conducted in this case and it was found to be a local conflict in Joshipur Police Station area. Due attention has since been given to stop any type of mischief done to the petitioner's family by police patrolling in and around the area.