

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 18.11.2010
ANSWERED ON
DUTIES OF INDIAN MISSIONS ABROAD .

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Will the Minister of COALCOALCOALCOALEXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether all Indian Missions abroad have to carefully follow rules and protocol to meet Indian citizens and dignitaries;
- (b) in what manner Government ensures that our missions abroad respect such rules and fulfill their duties;
- (c) whether the Indian Defence Minister visited Washington and was unceremoniously treated by the Indian embassy, as was reported in the South Asia and NRI media there;
- (d) in what way would Government ensure that all Indians get adequate respect and attention and respect from our missions abroad; and
- (e) the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SMT. PRENEET KAUR)

(a) & (b) Yes. Indian Missions/Posts abroad follow proper rules and protocol while meeting Indian citizens and dignitaries. Our Heads of Mission are under instructions to ensure that these rules are scrupulously followed.

(c) During his visit in September, 2010 to Washington D.C., Raksha Mantri was accorded all courtesies and honour by the Indian Mission in Washington in accordance with Government guidelines and in keeping with his high office.

(d) & (e) Indian Missions/Posts abroad are instructed to ensure that all Indian nationals are extended due courtesy and respect while they approach them for help.