

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1825
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2022

SECURING INDIAN INTERESTS IN UKRAINE

1825. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of **External Affairs** be pleased to state;

- (a) whether Government is aware of the military conflict between Russia and Ukraine;
- (b) the number of Indian nationals currently in Ukraine and total amount of assets owned by Indian nationals in Ukraine, the details thereof;
- (c) the total amount of Indian Government investment in Ukraine, the details thereof;
- (d) measures undertaken to secure the safety of the Indian diaspora in Ukraine and safeguard their assets, the details thereof;
- (e) whether there have been any reports of police and military brutality against Indian students in Ukraine; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

[SMT. MEENAKASHI LEKHI]

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Around 50 Indian nationals are estimated to be still present in Ukraine. The Ministry does not have details pertaining to private assets owned by Indian nationals in Ukraine.
- (c) There are no investments by Government of India in Ukraine. The Embassy premises and accommodations are rented properties.
- (d) The matter regarding safety and security of Indian nationals in Ukraine has been taken up at the highest levels with the Government of Ukraine. Prime Minister spoke to Ukrainian President twice recently regarding safe evacuation of Indian nationals from Ukraine. External Affairs Minister also spoke to his Ukrainian counterpart. The issue has also been taken up by Foreign Secretary with the Ambassador of Ukraine in New Delhi, as well as by our Ambassador in Ukraine with the concerned authorities in Ukraine.
- (e) & (f) Government of India has not received any formal complaints from Indian students in Ukraine.
