GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 373

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20TH JULY, 2022/ ASHADHA 29, 1944 (SAKA)

RISING CRIMES AND ATTACKS ON KASHMIRI PANDITS

373 SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the rising attacks on Kashmiri Pandits during last few months;

(b) if so, the details of number of attacks and what steps have been taken to protect these people;

(c) the reasons why the administration has failed to prevent such attacks;

(d) the total number of attacks against civilians in Jammu and Kashmir during last five years, year-wise and community-wise; and

(e) the total number of attacks against civilians in Jammu and Kashmir since 2019, year-wise and community-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

(a) to (c): The Government has a policy of zero tolerance against terrorism and the security situation has improved significantly in Jammu and Kashmir. There has been substantial decline in terrorist attacks from 417 in 2018 to 229 in 2021. During the last few months, two incidents of attack on Kashmiri Pandits have been reported in Jammu and Kashmir in which one person has been killed and another person injured. The Government

has taken several measures to ensure safety of minorities in the valley. These include a robust security and intelligence grid, day & night area domination, patrolling and proactive operations against terrorists, round the clock checking at Nakas, deployment of Road Opening Parties at strategic points to thwart any terrorist attack.

(d) & (e): The year-wise number of attacks on civilians during the last five years are as under:

Year	Attacks on civilians
2018	33
2019	28
2020	28
2021	12
2022 (upto 30th June, 2022)	07

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