

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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RACIAL ATTACKS ON INDIANS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

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

- (a) whether Government has taken cognisance of the racial attacks or hate crimes against Indians and Persons of Indian Origin in USA, UK and Canada which are prime destinations of Indian immigrants;
- (b) the number of hate crimes against Indians or Persons of Indian origin in USA, UK and Canada in the last five years, the details thereof, year-wise, country-wise; and
- (c) the measures taken by Government to save the Indian citizens staying abroad, Indian immigrants and Persons of Indian Origin from hate crimes?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a to c) According to media reports and inputs, there have been instances of attacks on Indian nationals and PIOs in USA, UK and Canada in last few years. Some of these attacks appear to be racially motivated.

The safety and well-being of Indian nationals in foreign countries is the top priority for the Government. Indian Missions/Consulates in USA, UK and Canada are constantly engaged with the local governments and the Indian community, including on measures to ensure their safety and well-being.

Our Missions/Consulates in these countries have a 24-hour emergency number mentioned on their websites through which distressed Indian Nationals can contact the Mission/Post. Indian nationals are encouraged to register with the Mission/Consulate or the MADAD portal (www.madad.gov.in) so that they could be contacted in case of any emergency. Advisories are issued for Indian nationals from time to time, asking them to exercise due caution and remain vigilant.
