# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2152

ANSWERED ON- 21/12/2023

#### DESECRATION OF RELIGIOUS PLACES IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

## 2152. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA

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

- (a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the desecration of religious places of minorities, viz., Hindus and Sikhs in certain foreign countries; and
- (b) if so, the measures which are being taken to ensure that such types of activities are stopped forthwith?

#### **ANSWER**

## THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

# [SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN]

(a & b) Incidences of attack and desecration of religious places abroad were immediately taken up through diplomatic channels with the concerned authorities of the host country for proper investigation, corrective action as well as for providing safety & security. The host government and its authorities are also called upon to undertake appropriate action as per their national laws and international obligations. These issues have also been taken up at a political level. Ministry through Missions/Posts abroad remains in constant engagements with host Government as well as Indian community on such matters.

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