

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-552**  
ANSWERED ON- 07/12/2023

**INCARCERATION OF KURDISH LEADER ABDULLAH OCALAN**

552. SHRI ANEEL PRASAD HEGDE

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

- (a) whether Government is aware about the incarceration of Kuridish People's Leader Abdullah Ocalan, in solitary confinement for over 24 years;
- (b) whether, in view of his sacrifices/propagation of democratic confederalism, Government has made efforts to get him freed from incarceration; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a to c) The Government is aware of the imprisonment of Kurdish leader Abdullah Ocalan. There have been no bilateral discussions on this matter.

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