GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.444 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2018

DEAD BODIES OF WORKERS

444. SHRI K.R.P. PRABAKARAN:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether complaints have been received by the Government regarding missing bodies of Indian workers who died abroad;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken up this matter with the countries concerned; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the response of such countries thereto?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS [GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

- (a) & (b) Yes. As per information available with the Ministry, families of two Inian nationals approached the High Commission of India in Kenya regarding two Indian nationals who have died on ship off the coast of Somalia, as a result of which their mortal remains have not yet been located.
- (c) & (d) Yes. The matter was taken up with the concerned authorities of the Government of Somalia who have conveyed that the mortal remains cannot be recovered as their death took place on ship off the coast of Somalia.
