

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 646  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2022**

**FAKE JOB DRIVE**

**646. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:**

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Indian mission in Yangon had observed/informed the Government on July 05, 2022, that some IT companies engaged in digital scamming, located in eastern border areas of Myanmar are recruiting Indian workers;
- (b) if so, the date on which the Government took measures on the aforementioned information;
- (c) whether the Government has issued an advisory on the same date or the same week of the Yangon mission warning about the fake-job racket;
- (d) if not, the reason of MEA not issuing the advisory on the same date or the same week of the Yangon mission warning about the fake-job racket; and
- (e) the measures taken by the Government in the backdrop of the advisory issued by the Indian Mission in Thailand on the fake job drive in August 2022?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a) to (e) Embassy of India (EOI) Yangon started receiving complaints from Indian workers working in IT companies apparently engaged in digital scamming, located in Eastern border areas of Myanmar since the first week of July 2022. Advisories were issued on 5 July 2022 and on 14 October 2022 by the Embassy of India in Yangon, and on 12 August 2022 by the Embassy of India in Bangkok, to

alert Indian nationals about the fake-job racket. This Ministry again issued an advisory on 24 September 2022. This Ministry has also shared information with relevant State Governments requesting them to investigate Indian agents involved in this racket. The matter has been continuously taken up by our Embassies with authorities in Myanmar and Thailand to facilitate release and early repatriation of Indians. With their persistent efforts, 259 Indians have been rescued from the Eastern area of Myanmar, of which 205 have been repatriated and others are receiving assistance from our Embassies.

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