

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-4859**  
ANSWERED ON- 31/03/2023

**ATTACKS ON TEMPLES ABROAD**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the recent attacks on Indian Temples in Australia, Canada, Pakistan and other foreign countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has initiated dialogue with such countries to take steps towards ensuring the safety of such Indian temples;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and response of the said countries thereto; and
- (e) the other measures being taken by the Government towards ensuring safety of Indian sacred religious places in other foreign countries?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a to e) Incidences of attack and desecration of temples and places of worship abroad is 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. Indian Missions/Posts remain in constant engagements with host Government as well as Indian community on such matters.

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