

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 324**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 04TH FEBRUARY, 2020/MAGHA 15, 1941 (SAKA)

MEMORIALS FOR FREEDOM FIGHTERS

**324. DR. T. R. PAARIVENDHAR:
SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government honours the freedom fighters by erecting memorials in their name and if so, the details of such freedom fighters in the country, particularly in Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether the Government will consider erecting a memorial in Delhi in honour of and recognition of the freedom fighters across the country who have sacrificed their life for the freedom/independence of the country;

(c) the total number of freedom fighters who participated and lost their lives during the freedom struggle in the country, particularly in the State of Tamil Nadu;

(d) whether memorials to the foreigners who have participated in the independence struggle were also having freedom fighters memorials in India; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

(a) & (b) Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA) carries out construction work of memorials, if so mandated by the concerned Ministry. CPWD, under MoHUA, had constructed National Salt Satyagraha Memorial at Dandi, Gujarat for Ministry of Culture and Dr. Ambedkar National Memorial at Delhi for Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

- (c) **With regard to freedom fighters who participated and lost their life during the freedom struggle, the Indian Council of Historical Research has published 5 volumes (7 books) under the title of *Dictionary of Martyrs: India's Freedom Struggle (1857-1947)*. The volumes contain brief biographical write-ups on the Martyrs across the country who sacrificed their life for India's Freedom Struggle between 1857 and 1947 based on extant possible primary sources collected during the period of research work. The research work only confined enlisting Martyrs not Freedom Fighters. These volumes contain over 13,521 martyrs across the country including 154 from Tamil Nadu.**
- (d) & (e) **No such details pertaining to Memorials of foreigners who have participated in independent struggle are maintained.**
