

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.538
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.02.2020
TRAINING TO AFGHAN DIPLOMATS

538. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and China have decided to give training jointly at Foreign Service Institute (FSI) at New Delhi to the Afghan diplomats for the development of war-torn Afghanistan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the nature and tenure of training to these diplomats;
- (d) whether FSI has given any similar kind of training to any other country's diplomats; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN]

(a) to (c) The 1st Joint India-China Capacity Building Programme for Afghan Diplomats was held at the Foreign Service Institute (FSI) of the Ministry of External Affairs of India from 15 to 26 October 2018 as part of an understanding reached between Prime Minister of India and President of China at the Wuhan Informal Summit. 10 Afghan diplomats participated in the training programme in 2018.

The 2nd Joint India-China Capacity Building Programme for Afghan Diplomats was held at FSI from 11 to 23 November 2019. 10 young diplomats from Afghanistan participated in the Course.

The intensive two-week Course included training modules on various topics covering India's foreign policy, key international issues, multilateral diplomacy and diplomatic skills. The participants also got an exposure to modern India's economic and technological developments and undertook study tours to experience the rich cultural heritage of India.

(d) & (e) The Joint India-China Capacity Building Programme for Afghan Diplomats is the only trilateral training programme conducted by FSI. However, courses for foreign diplomats are regularly conducted by FSI. The list of such courses conducted in 2019 is in the Annexure.

ANNEXURE TO LOK SABHA QUESTION NO.538

Training of Foreign Diplomats Conducted by FSI in 2019

S.No	Training Course	Dates	Number of Participating Diplomats
1.	1 st Annual Disarmament & International Security Affairs Fellowship Programme	14 Jan-1 Feb	26
2.	2 nd Special Course for Syrian Diplomats	4-16 Feb	41
3.	2 nd Familiarisation Programme for Resident HoMs	18-22 Feb	31
4.	2 nd Special Course for Sudanese Diplomats	25 Feb-9 Mar	46
5.	67 th Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats	13 Mar-12 Apr	48
6.	1 st Special Course for Moroccan Diplomats	15-27 Apr	14
7.	1 st Special Course for Senegalese Diplomats	15-27 Apr	10
8.	1 st Special Course for Angolan Diplomats	6-18 May	6
9.	1 st Special Course for Botswana Diplomats	6-18 May	18
10.	1 st Special Course for Liberian Diplomats	6-18 May	20
11.	1 st Special Course for Sao Tome & Principe Diplomats	6-18 May	4
12.	1 st Special Course for Equatorial Guinea Diplomats	6-18 May	4
13.	1 st Special Course for Egyptian Diplomats	10-22 Jun	13
14.	1 st Special Course for Central Asian Diplomats	24 Jun-6 Jul	29
15.	2 nd Special Course for Maldivian Diplomats	24 Jun-6 Jul	8
16.	1 st Special Course for League of Arab States	22-28 Jul	20
17.	2 nd Special Training Prog. for CARICOM Diplomats	12-23 Aug	23
18.	3 rd Familiarisation Programme for Resident HoMs	19-23 Aug	30
19.	3 rd Special Course for Iraqi Diplomats	26 Aug-7 Sept	30
20.	1 st Special Course for Palestinian Diplomats	2-14 Sept	15
21.	1 st Special Course for Libyan Diplomats	6-21 Sept	15
22.	68 th Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats	16 Sep-11 Oct	55
23.	5 th Special Course for ASEM Diplomats	14-21 Oct	20
24.	13 th Special Course for ASEAN Diplomats	14-26 Oct	15
25.	1 st Special Course for Mongolian Diplomats	28 Oct-9 Nov	24
26.	3 rd Special Course for Maldivian Diplomats	28 Oct-9 Nov	6
27.	1 st Special Course for Dominican Republic Diplomats	28 Oct-9 Nov	8
28.	2 nd India-China Joint Capacity Building Programme for Afghan Diplomats	11-23 Nov	10
29.	1 st Special Course for Beninese Diplomats	25 Nov - 7 Dec	7
30.	1 st Special Course for Cameroonian Diplomats	25 Nov - 7 Dec	10
31.	1 st Special Course for Democratic Republic of Congo Diplomats	25 Nov - 7 Dec	11
32.	1 st Special Course for Gabonese Diplomats	25 Nov - 7 Dec	13

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33.	1 st Special Course for Cote d'Ivoire Diplomats	25 Nov - 7 Dec	10
34.	1 st Special Course for Kenyan Diplomats	25 Nov - 7 Dec	10
35.	1 st Special Course for Namibian & Malawian Diplomats	1-13 Dec	22
36.	4 th Special Course for Bangladeshi Diplomats	9-22 Dec	22
