

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.491
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2015**

GUIDELINES FOR RECEIVING GIFTS

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether guidelines have been prescribed by the Government regarding receiving gifts by the Very Important Persons in other countries;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether such gifts received by the individual becomes his personal property;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the year-wise and country-wise details of gifts received abroad by VVIPs during the last three years?**

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Yes. The gifts received by Very Important Persons during their foreign visits are governed by Foreign Contribution (Acceptance or Retention of Gifts or Presentations) Rules, 2012 as amended from time to time.

(c) & (d) The ownership of the gifts are decided as per the criteria as laid down in Foreign Contribution (Acceptance or Retention of Gifts or Presentations) Rules, 2012.

(e) The year-wise and country-wise details of gifts received from foreign source by VVIPs during the last three years are enclosed at ANNEXURE.

ANNEXURE**Year wise and Country wise details of gifts received by VVIPs during last 3 year**

Sl.No	Name of Country	2013	2014	2015 till date
1	Uzbekistan	1	Nil	3
2	Afghanistan	4	2	3
3	Kuwait	9	Nil	Nil
4	Peru	1	Nil	Nil
5	Ecuador	1	Nil	Nil
6	Zanzibar	Nil	2	Nil
7	Bahrain	Nil	1	Nil
8	Saudi Arabia	Nil	3	Nil
9	Myanmar	Nil	3	3
10	China	3	8	22
11	Bangladesh	1	6	19
12	United States of America	5	1	7
13	Lao PDR	Nil	Nil	1
14	Cambodia	Nil	Nil	2
15	Indonesia	1	1	2
16	Nepal	1	7	5
17	United Kingdom	1	1	8
18	Bhutan	1	3	1
19	South Africa	1	Nil	2
20	ASEAN	1	Nil	Nil
21	Cote D'Ivoire	1	Nil	Nil
22	Germany	2	1	2
23	Maldives	2	5	3
24	Thailand	2	1	1
25	Japan	5	2	3
26	Malaysia	3	1	Nil
27	Fiji	1	Nil	3
28	Sri Lanka	2	1	6
29	Rome	1	Nil	Nil
30	Iraq	1	Nil	Nil
31	Vietnam	2	Nil	2
32	Pakistan	2	Nil	Nil
33	Russia	3	5	7
34	Mexico	1	Nil	Nil
35	Hungary	1	Nil	Nil
36	Niue	1	Nil	Nil
37	Oman	Nil	3	Nil
38	Nigeria	Nil	2	1
39	Tanzania	Nil	1	1

40	Hague, Netherlands	Nil	1	1
41	Brazil	Nil	2	1
42	Singapore	1	2	3
43	Uganda	Nil	1	Nil
44	Guyana	Nil	Nil	2
45	Australia	Nil	Nil	4
46	United Nations	Nil	Nil	2
47	Israel	Nil	Nil	2
48	Qatar	Nil	Nil	2
49	Cuba	Nil	Nil	1
50	France	Nil	Nil	3
51	Canada	Nil	Nil	3
52	Spain	Nil	Nil	1
53	Korea	Nil	Nil	2
54	South Korea	Nil	Nil	9
55	Mongolia	Nil	Nil	4
56	Turkmenistan	Nil	Nil	3
57	Tajikistan	Nil	Nil	2
58	Kazakhstan	Nil	Nil	2
59	Mozambique	Nil	Nil	1
60	Micronesia	Nil	Nil	1
61	Marshall Island	Nil	Nil	1
62	Seychelles	Nil	Nil	3
63	Iran	Nil	Nil	1
64	UAE	Nil	Nil	1
65	Kyrgyzstan	Nil	Nil	1
66	Vanuatu	Nil	Nil	1
67	Ireland	Nil	Nil	1
68	Morocco	Nil	Nil	3
69	Namibia	Nil	Nil	1
70	Ghana	Nil	Nil	1
71	Botswana	Nil	Nil	1
72	Mauritius	Nil	Nil	1
73	Senegal	Nil	Nil	1
74	Sierra Leone	Nil	Nil	1
75	Zambia	Nil	Nil	1
76	Madagascar	Nil	Nil	1
77	Liberia	Nil	Nil	1
78	Zimbabwe	Nil	Nil	1
79	Benin	Nil	Nil	1
80	Swaziland	Nil	Nil	1
81	Sudan	Nil	Nil	1
