

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.208  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.02.2016**

**SENDING INDIAN TROOPS TO SYRIA**

**208. SHRI B VINOD KUMAR:**

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

- (a) whether India is planning to send troops to Syria to join US coalitions engaged in the fight against the terror group, ISIS and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether there is a possibility of joining a 'ceasefire-monitoring mechanism' outside the UN mandate and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether India plans to provide indirect support to Syria like humanitarian and financial aid; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof in this regard?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) No.**

**(b) No.**

**(c) & (d) As part of its commitment to humanitarian assistance to Syria and neighbouring countries in the conflict, India participated in the humanitarian assistance related conferences on Syria and contributed US\$ 4 million in three conferences and pledged US\$ 5 million as assistance during the last conference on Syria. India has also contributed US\$ 1 million towards Trust Fund of the Organization for Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) for destruction of Syrian chemical weapons. Supply of medicines worth US\$ 1 million is being processed under Disaster relief.**

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