

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1509**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 03RD MAY, 2016/ VAISAKHA 13, 1938 (SAKA)

WATAN KO JANAO INITIATIVE

1509. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched 'Watan Ko Jano' initiative for the children who are victims of militancy and weaker sections of the society in Jammu and Kashmir; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of children who participated in the programme?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)**

(a) & (b): The Government has launched 'Wattan Ko Jano' initiative for the orphans, children from militancy hit families and weaker sections of the society in Jammu and Kashmir. Under the programme groups of educated youth in the age group of 15-24 years visit various parts of the country and are exposed to the diverse social and cultural heritage of the country. The groups during their trip interact both at inter-state and intra-state level and participate in cultural activities at different places. Under the program 769 children have participated so far.
