

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1657
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.05.2016**

INDIAN COMMUNITY WELFARE FUND

1657. DR. K. KAMARAJ:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF) set up by the Government has been operationalised in the Indian Missions in all the countries;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether any assistance was rendered out of this fund to the persons/workers of Indian origin, found to be in distress, after its operationalisation;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof, case-wise and country-wise; and**
- (e) the total amount collected in the form of immigration fee during the last two years?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e) The Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF) has been extended to all our Missions and Posts abroad by the government and is also operational in almost all the Missions. Available details of assistance rendered by our Missions out of this Fund to persons/workers of Indian origin in distress, case-wise and country-wise, are attached in Annexure.

There is no provision for collecting immigration fee under the ICWF.

ANNEXURE

S. No.	Country	Whether ICWF has been operationalised in the Mission.	Number of Overseas Indians who were provided assistance through ICWF					
			Boarding & Lodging	Emergency Medical Care	Air Passage to stranded Overseas Indians	Legal Assistance	Air lifting of Mortal Remains	Others
1.	Afghanistan	Yes	709	Nil	88	29	7	Nil
2.	Algeria	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
3.	Angola	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
4.	Argentina	Yes	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
5.	Armenia	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2	8
6.	Australia	Yes	17	1	1	12	65	3
7.	Austria	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	4	Nil
8.	Azerbaijan	Yes	1	Nil	1	Nil	1	2
9.	Bahrain	Yes	Nil	11	625	Nil	74	627
10.	Bangladesh	Yes	1	Nil	7	758	Nil	2
11.	Bhutan	Yes	1	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
12.	Brazil	Yes	2	Nil	2	Nil	Nil	Nil
13.	Brunei	Yes	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
14.	Bulgaria	Yes	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1
15.	Canada	Yes	1	1	Nil	1	4	1
16.	Chile	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
17.	China	Yes	40	4	12	2	10	278
18.	Colombia	Yes	6	1	6		1	1
19.	Cote D Ivoire	Yes	2	Nil	3	Nil	1	Nil
20.	Croatia	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
21.	Cuba	Yes	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	1
22.	Cyprus	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
23.	Czech Republic	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
24.	Democratic Republic of Congo	Yes	Nil.	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
25.	Denmark	Yes	6	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	7
26.	DPR Korea	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
27.	Egypt	Yes	36	2	6	6	1	30
28.	Ethiopia	Yes	12	Nil	6	1	Nil	11

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29.	Fiji	Yes	2	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	6
30.	Finland	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
31.	France	Yes	1	Nil	2	Nil	35	17
32.	Germany	Yes	5	NA	5	1	26	Nil
33.	Ghana	Yes	1	5	Nil	11	3	4
34.	Greece	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	10	4	12
35.	Guatemala	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
36.	Guyana	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1
37.	Iceland	Yes	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	1	1
38.	Indonesia	Yes	1	2	6	1	6	21
39.	Iran	Yes	40	Nil	123	Nil	2	Nil
40.	Iraq	Yes	924	NIL	5832	2	2	1514
41.	Ireland	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
42.	Israel	Yes	Nil	Nil	2	Nil	5	Nil
43.	Italy	Yes	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	5	Nil
44.	Jamaica	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
45.	Japan	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
46.	Kazakhstan	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
47.	Kenya	Yes	9	1	17	Nil	1	13
48.	Kuwait	Yes	Nil	Nil	1312	4	268	6167
49.	Kyrgyzstan	Yes	Nil	1	2	1	1	1
50.	Laos	Yes	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	1	Nil
51.	Lebanon	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2	1
52.	Libya	Yes	31	Nil	1293	Nil	4	137
53.	Malawi	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
54.	Malaysia	Yes	1900	47	420	21	56	305
55.	Maldives	Yes	150	6	41	2	6	nil
56.	Mali	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
57.	Mauritius	Yes	17	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	94
58.	Mexico City	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
59.	Mongolia	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

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60.	Morocco	Yes	4	Nil	2	Nil	Nil	Nil
61.	Mozambique	Yes	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
62.	Myanmar	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	18
63.	Myanmar	Yes	3	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
64.	Namibia	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
65.	Nepal	Yes	203	4	19807	Nil	4	1
66.	Netherlands	Yes	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	6	6
67.	Niger	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
68.	Nigeria	Yes	20	nil	2	Nil	2	nil
69.	Norway	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
70.	Oman	Yes	1883	71	295	NIL	18	24
71.	Pakistan	Yes	11	2	Nil	3	10	Nil
72.	Palestine	Yes	Nil	Nil	4	Nil	Nil	Nil
73.	Peru	Yes	1	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil
74.	Philippines	Yes	4	1	6	Nil	Nil	8
75.	Poland	Yes	2	Nil	11	3	1	16
76.	Qatar	Yes	Nil	2	403	173	7	9504
77.	Republic of Korea	Yes	9	Nil	2	Nil	3	Nil
78.	Republic of Panama	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
79.	Romania	Yes	Nil	Nil	18	Nil	Nil	Nil
80.	Russia	Yes	28	NIL	26	7	6	12
81.	Saudi Arabia	Yes	1713	298	888	99	334	79
82.	Senegal	Yes	5	Nil	Nil	5	Nil	Nil
83.	Serbia	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
84.	Seychelles	Yes	Nil	Nil	19	Nil	Nil	26
85.	Singapore	Yes	3	2	35	7	15	Nil
86.	Slovakia	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
87.	Slovenia	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
88.	South Africa	Yes	Nil	Nil	2	Nil	3	16
89.	South Sudan	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

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90.	Spain	Yes	Nil	Nil	5	Nil	10	3
91.	Sri Lanka	Yes	2301	1	160	337	8	1
92.	Sudan	Yes	89	1	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
93.	Suriname	Yes	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
94.	Switzerland	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
95.	Syria	Yes	4	Nil	6	Nil	Nil	24
96.	Tajikistan	Yes	Nil	Nil	5	Nil	1	1
97.	Tanzania	Yes	26	Nil	48	8	Nil	7
98.	Tobago	Yes	3	1	3	Nil	Nil	4
99.	Tunisia	Yes	1034	Nil	162	Nil	Nil	1045
100.	Turkey	Yes	5	Nil	3	Nil	Nil	Nil
101.	Turkey	Yes	Nil	Nil	4	Nil	Nil	8
102.	Turkmenistan	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
103.	Uganda	Yes	61	Nil	42	6	Nil	Nil
104.	Ukraine	Yes	Nil	4	1	Nil	4	Nil
105.	United Arab Emirates	Yes	2197	2	2153	13	229	4120
106.	United Kingdom	Yes	4	Nil	1	6	10	2
107.	United States of America	Yes	2	3	2	7	8	1
108.	Uzbekistan	Yes	2	3	6	Nil	1	Nil
109.	Venezuela	Yes	Nil	Nil	6	Nil	Nil	Nil
110.	Vietnam	Yes	22	1	1	1	0	4
111.	Yemen	Yes	88	4	5134	Nil	11	214
112.	Zambia	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1
113.	Zimbabwe	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
	TOTAL		13649	484	39080	1539	1298	24411
