

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*240**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND AUGUST, 2016/SHRAVANA 11, 1938 (SAKA)

ISIS LINKS WITH MISSING PERSONS

***240. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:
SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has confirmed the ISIS links of a number of persons gone missing from various parts of the country including Kerala recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government has tracked IS sleeper cells in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the mechanism to track and counter online radicalisation of youth by various religious extremist organizations including ISIS?

ANSWER

**MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI RAJNATH SINGH)**

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*240 FOR 02.08.2016.

(a) & (b): Some persons have been reported missing from some parts of Kerala, who are suspected to have joined terrorist outfits like ISIS, but their links with ISIS is not yet been established. Kerala Police has registered 9 cases in this connection.

(c) & (d): The National Investigation Agency (NIA), Maharashtra Police, Karnataka Police, Madhya Pradesh Police, Telangana Police and Tamil Nadu Police have registered cases to investigate the alleged links of Indian youth with ISIS/ISIL/IS and have so far arrested 54 persons.

(e) : The terrorist outfit, ISIS, is using various platforms to propagate its ideology and to attract recruits from across the world. The Intelligence and Security Agencies maintain a close watch to identify potential recruits. Various programmes are being undertaken by the Central and State Governments to deal with the issue of counter radicalization and de-radicalization.
