

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.578
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.07.2016**

MAHATMA GANDHI PRAVASI SURAKSHA YOJANA

578. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has revamped Mahatma Gandhi Pravasi Suraksha Yojana (MGPSY);**
- (b) if so, the details of the scheme in the new form;**
- (c) if not, the reasons for the delay and the status of the restructuring process; and**
- (d) the major issues regarding MGPSY which led the Ministry to suggest for revamping of the scheme?**

ANSWER

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

(a) The Government is in process of closing the Mahatma Gandhi Pravasi Suraksha Yojana (MGPSY) while strengthening other measures including the insurance scheme Pravasi Bhartiya Bima Yojana(PBBY) for welfare of overseas Indian workers. Being a voluntary scheme and for a variety of other reasons, the subscription under the MGPSY has been extremely low.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.
