

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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ATTACKS ON PEOPLE OF INDIAN ORIGIN IN SOUTH AFRICA

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

(a) whether the Government are aware that the people of Indian origin in South Africa have, of late, been the victims of brutal attacks and that a number of persons of Indian origin have been killed during the past few months;

(b) if so, the details thereof; (

(c) whether the Government have taken up the issue with the Government of South Africa; and

(d) if so, the outcome thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a), (b), (c) & (d) There have been some reported attacks on South Africans of Indian origin in the KwaZulu-Natal province of South Africa. The crime situation in South Africa is affecting the whole of South African society. Therefore, there has been no specific or exclusive targeting of South African persons of Indian origin. This is an internal matter of South Africa and is being dealt with by the South African Government.