

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:156
ANSWERED ON:23.11.2005
DISPARITY AMONG PRIVATE HAJ TOUR OPERATORS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is disparity among the private tour operators who are sending Hajis for the pilgrimage;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the State-wise details of the number of Hajis permitted to be sent by various private tour operators;
- (d) whether a private tour operator to Kerala was awarded the entire quota; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor and the criteria adopted in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

- (a) No.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) State-wise details of private tour operators registered for Haj 2006 are under finalization. Once it is compiled, it will be placed on the Table of the House.
- (d) No.
- (e) Does not arise.