

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1242

ANSWERED ON:30.11.2005

MISSING INDIAN PASSENGERS

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

- (a) whether fate of 46 Indian passengers on board the Karwaan-a-aman bus travelling from Srinagar to Pakistan occupied Kashmir is still not known;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the efforts made by the Government to trace them?

**Answer**

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

(a) - (c) Of the 54 Indian passengers of the Srinagar-Muzaffarabad bus service stranded in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir due to the October 8 earthquake, 36 people have returned. The death of one person has been confirmed. The fate of the remaining 17 people is not yet known. Government have requested the Government of Pakistan several times to find out about their welfare. There has been no intimation so far from it about the fate of these people.