

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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Attacks on Indians Abroad

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the number of incidents of attacks on Indians living in foreign countries have increased recently and if so, the number of Indians who came under such attacks during the last three years, country-wise;
- (b) the number of such incidents in which loss of life and property has been reported;
- (c) the efforts made by the Government in consultation with the respective countries to protect Indians living in those countries;
- (d) whether the Government is aware of a few Indians wounded/killed in the recent security operation by Saudi Arabia in Bahrain; and
- (e) if so, the details along with the protest lodged with Saudi authorities and the compensation paid to the victims/wounded?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) As per the information received from our Missions and Posts abroad, 115 incidents of attacks, involving 276 Indian nationals, have been reported in 30 countries in the last three years. As a result of these attacks, 57 Indian nationals lost their lives. Country-wise details are attached at 'Annexure'.

(c) Whenever any attacks on Indian nationals come to notice, our Mission/Post concerned promptly takes up the matter with the local Foreign Office and other concerned authorities in that country. Our Missions/Posts also take follow-up action, including in terms of arranging security, providing shelter where required and also extending consular assistance to the affected Indian nationals. We also ensure that cases of violence are duly investigated by the local police authorities in order to bring the culprits to justice, by liaising with the concerned authorities during the investigation and trial process.

(d) & (e) The Ministry of External Affairs is not aware of any security operation by Saudi Arabia in Bahrain in the recent past.