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Title : Need to render financial assistance to the Indian citizens facing problems in foreign countries due to lack of proper travel documents.

SHRI SURESH KUMAR SHETKAR (ZAHEERABAD): I would like to draw the kind attention of the august House towards the problems being faced by the Indians in Gulf and other countries abroad.

Sir, many people like students and others from the rural areas in Andhra Pradesh have gone to various countries such as Gulf, Australia, U.S. and U.K. for various purposes like higher studies, jobs and on tourist visas also. Some people from my constituency areas like Kamareddy and Yellareddy were duped in getting the passports and they faced lot of problems abroad for returning back to India due to insufficient and improper documents. Some people also died there and more than 1 or 2 months are taking to get back their dead bodies to India. Some of them also landed in jails abroad. Their families in India are very much concerned about them.

I, therefore, request the Government to ensure that innocent people are not harassed when they go abroad for employment and also to render assistance for bringing dead bodies back to India.

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\* Treated as laid on the Table.