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Title: The Minister of Overseas Indian Affairs laid a statement regarding the status of implementation of recommendations in the 1st Report of Standing Committee on External Affairs on Demands for Grants (2009-10), pertaining to the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs.

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI): Madam, I beg to lay the statement under Direction 73A of the Speaker on the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on External Affairs.

The 1st Report of the Standing Committee on External Affairs on the Demands for Grants 2009-2010 was presented to the Lok Sabha on 3rd December, 2009 and laid in Rajya Sabha on 3rd December, 2009. Action Taken Replies (ATR) of the Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee were sent to the Committee on 10th March, 2010.

As required, the present status of implementation of the recommendations of the 1st Report of the Standing Committee is detailed at the Annexure which is laid on the Table of the House.

I hope that the hon. Members will be satisfied with the action taken by my Ministry.