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Title: The Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs made a statement regarding status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 14th Report of the Standing Committee on External Affairs on Demands for Grants (2012-13), pertaining to the Ministry of External Affairs.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR): Madam, I beg to make a statement regarding the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 14th Report of the Standing Committee on External Affairs.

The Standing Committee on External Affairs examined the Demands for Grants of the Ministry of External Affairs for the year 2012-13 and laid its 14th Report in the Lok Sabha on 8 May, 2012. The report included 28 Recommendations, on which Action Taken Report was submitted to the Committee on 30 July, 2012.

Now, I am laying on the Table of the House the progress made in implementation of the recommendations of the Committee, as required under Hon'ble Speaker's above direction. The recommendations of the Committee have been studied in true letter and spirit and every endeavour will be made to look into these recommendations.

I would not like to take the valuable time of the House to read out all the contents but would request that this may be considered as read.

...(Interruptions)