

Steps against serial attacks

2178. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether with recent attacks on Indian students in Australia and Canada, racism against India is back again;

(b) if so, whether there has been past incidents of similar attacks in US, UK, Canada and other European nations;

(c) if so, whether travel sector is latest to be accused of racial discrimination against India; and

(d) if so, whether Government is seriously considering to take some steps, so that such type of incidents does not occur on large scale in other countries also?

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI): (a) No, Sir. While some of the attacks on Indian nationals, including students, in Australia could have racial connotations, there are not been any racial attack on Indian nationals in Canada recently.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

Steps to check fraud in overseas recruitment

2179. SHRI N. K. SINGH:
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Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of recent uptrend in fraud in overseas recruitment, Government proposes to check out the credibility of the recruiting agencies and veracity of the job offers with Government agencies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether several job frauds by overseas agencies have come to the notice of Government in the past few years;

(d) if so, the numbers in the last five years, year-wise; and

(e) the facts thereof and steps taken by Government to check such frauds by overseas recruitment agencies?

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI): (a) to (e) While Government has not noticed any recent uptrend in fraud in overseas recruitment, the Government has put in place a mechanism for monitoring and for stringent action against persons indulging in irregular recruitment for overseas employment.