

There is growing international support for this initiative. In the World Summit held in September 2005, leaders stressed the need to make every effort to reach an agreement on and conclude a comprehensive convention on international terrorism in that session itself. Several countries including the five permanent members of the UN Security Council have voiced support for such a convention. Leaders at the recent NAM Summit in Venezuela (September 2016), and BRICS Summit in Goa (October 2016) also called upon all nations to work together to expedite the adoption of CCIT in the UN General Assembly without any further delay.

Indians expelled from USA

†3852. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding the number of Indians expelled from United States of America (USA) after the constitution of present Government;

(b) the details of reasons leading to such expulsions;

(c) whether Government has registered any protest with American administration; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS [GENERAL (RETD.) V. K. SINGH]: (a) and (b) The new Government in the US assumed office on 20 January 2017. Since then, according to the information provided by the US authorities to our Embassy and Consulates, a total of 08 Indian nationals have been deported under orders of removal given by the U.S. courts, for either involvement in a crime or invalid visa status.

(c) and (d) Government of India remains engaged with the US Government on all issues that concern the safety, security and well-being of Indian nationals in the US. Government of India does not encourage illegal migration of Indian nationals to other countries. From time to time, Indian Embassy and Consulates in the US, upon request of the US authorities, facilitate repatriation of undocumented Indian immigrants after their nationality verification.

Killing of Indians in South Sudan

3853. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the rebels killed Indians working in South Sudan;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.