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QUESTION NO.2410 EXTRADITION TREATY WITH UK

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RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2410 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2017

EXTRADITION TREATY WITH UK

2410. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an extradition treaty with United Kingdom (UK);
- (b) the number of persons extradited from UK during the last five years;
- (c) the names of persons in respect of whom proposals have been rejected by UK Government;
- (d) whether the persons who have defaulted in making payments to the financial Institutions in India could be extradited:
- (e) the number and names of persons with respect to whom extradition requests are pending with UK Government; and
- (f) whether there is any proposal to seek modifications in the extradition treaty with UK?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS [GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

- (a) Yes, India and the UK have an Extradition Treaty in force since 1993.
- (b) In the last five years, only one fugitive criminal namely Samirbhai Vinubhai Patel has been extradited from the UK.
- (c) The extradition requests in respect of criminal fugitives namely Raymond Varley, Ravi Shankaran,

Velu Boopalan, Ajay Prasad Khaitan, Virendra Kumar Rastogi and Anand Kumar Jain have been rejected by the UK Government.

- (d) As per Article 2 of the India-UK Extradition Treaty, an extradition offence for the purposes of this Treaty is constituted by conduct which under the laws of each Contracting State is punishable by a term of imprisonment for a period of at least one year. An offence may be an extradition offence notwithstanding that it relates to taxation or revenue or is one of a purely fiscal character.
- (e) As on date, a total of 10 extradition requests made by Government of India in respect of fugitive criminals namely Rajesh Kapoor, Tiger Hanif, Atul Singh, Raj Kumar Patel, Jatinder Kumar Angurala, Asha Rani Angurala, Sanjeev Kumar Chawla, Shaik Sadiq, Ashok Malik and Vijay Vittal Mallya are pending with the UK Government.
- (f) Till date, there is no proposal to seek modification in the Extradition Treaty with the UK.



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