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# Q NO.3118 KILLING OF TAMILS IN SRI LANKA

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RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3118  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.08.2014

KILLING OF TAMILS IN SRI LANKA

3118: DR. V. MAITREYAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has taken any action for the killing of ethnic Tamil civilians in Sri Lanka in accordance with the Resolution passed by the Tamil Nadu State Assembly in 2011;
- (b) if so, the measures taken by Government to respect the sentiments of people of Tamil Nadu and the United Nations response in this issue;
- (c) the outcome of India's efforts in the last three years for the displaced Tamils and the orphaned kith and kin of people killed in the ethnic genocide in Sri Lanka in 2009; and
- (d) the details of the economic and logistic support provided by India to Sri Lanka?

## ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) Government has consistently called upon Sri Lanka during bilateral discussions and in the international fora to fulfill its commitments made to the international community on effective and timely implementation of all the constructive recommendations contained in its Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission (LLRC) Report including those pertaining to missing persons, detainees, reduction of 'high security zones', return of private lands by the military and withdrawal of security forces from the civilian domain in the Northern Province. Government remains engaged with Government of Sri Lanka to take forward the process of reconciliation and, in the spirit of partnership, encourage them to take forward the dialogue with the elected representatives of the Sri Lankan Tamils. Issues regarding the on-going reconciliation process in Sri Lanka were discussed during the recent bilateral meetings between

PM and President of Sri Lanka in New Delhi on 27 May 2014 and EAM and External Affairs Minister of Sri Lanka in New Delhi on 11 July 2014.

Since the end of conflict in Sri Lanka, the focus of Government has been on the welfare and well being of the Tamils citizens of Sri Lanka. Their resettlement and rehabilitation have been of the highest and most immediate priority. Government has implemented and continues to implement a wide range of projects covering assistance projects for Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in the areas of housing, de-mining, education, connectivity, livelihood restoration, economic revival, etc. Due to Government's engagement with the Government of Sri Lanka on reconstruction and other issues, a modicum of normalcy is returning to the Tamil areas in Sri Lanka.



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