

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**QUESTION NO 11.12.2008**  
**ANSWERED ON**  
**SUICIDE BY INDIAN EXPATRIATES .**

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Shri B.K. Hariprasad

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether suicide among the Indian expatriates in Gulf is on the rise since 2003;
- (b) whether these suicide deaths are attributed to mounting debts and resulting depression; and
- (c) whether the expatriates mostly from Kerala and Tamil Nadu are trapped by credit card companies and private lenders, while being under extreme family pressure for large remittances?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS

(SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

- (a) There is no definite pattern in the number of suicides of Indian expatriates in various Gulf countries between 2003 and now.
- (b) No such reason has been reported.
- (c) Government has not come across any such specific case.