

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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CROSS BORDER TERRORISM IN JAMMU & KASHMIR
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether in view of the considerable rise in the cross border terrorism and violent activities of the militants in the State of Jammu & Kashmir the Union Government have taken any step for global support against terrorism in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the response received by the Government from the world community in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a), (b) & (c) Tackling terrorism is a priority issue for the Government and India has been in the forefront of efforts to generate international consensus on the need to combat terrorism. International response to India's initiatives has been encouraging. At the multilateral level, the 54th session of the UN General Assembly has adopted a resolution on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism, which calls upon States to refrain from financing, encouraging, providing training for or otherwise supporting terrorist activities. The General Assembly also decided to commence negotiations on India's draft of Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism by September 2000. The Security Council also adopted a resolution in October 1999 condemning terrorism and urging all states to cooperate in combating it. At the bilateral level too we have received encouraging response from key countries.