

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:175
ANSWERED ON:03.12.2003
SHIFTING OF BASE BY INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST
M.H. AMBAREESH

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether after the declaration of Dawood Ibrahim as an international terrorist, the Mafia Don, has shifted his base from Karachi to Islamabad;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government have made fresh initiatives to pressurise Pakistan to hand over the Mafia Don to India;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps proposed to be taken in this direction?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

- (a) & (b) There have been reports in Pakistani media that Dawood Ibrahim is trying to dispose off his properties in Karachi and elsewhere, and has taken up residence in Islamabad.
- (c) & (d) From time to time, Government has asked Pakistan that Dawood Ibrahim may be apprehended and handed over to the Indian authorities. On 31 December 2001, India had handed over a list of the fugitives from Indian law to Pakistan, which included his name. On 17 October 2003, Government once again reiterated the request to Pakistan.
- (e) Does not arise.