

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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ANTI INDIA ACTIVITIES
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has held any dialogue with Bangladesh and Nepal in regard to anti-India elements in these countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the outcome of the talks and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA)

(a) to (c): Issue of anti-India activities has been periodically taken up with the Government of Bangladesh, at various levels including at the highest level. During the visit of Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to India in January 2010, both sides underscored the need for the two countries to actively cooperate on security issues and reiterated the assurance that the territory of either would not be allowed for activities inimical to the other and resolved not to allow their respective territory to be used for training, sanctuary and other operations by domestic or foreign terrorist militant and insurgent organizations and their operatives. Three security related agreements were also signed between the two sides during the visit.

Security related issues including anti-India activities and other related matters are also discussed with Nepal at bilateral mechanisms, including the annual Home Secretary level talks and the Joint Working Group on Border Management. The last Home Secretary level talks took place in November, 2009 in Kathmandu.

Both the government of Bangladesh and Nepal have assured us at the highest level that they will not allow their territories to be used for any activity against India.