

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3967  
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PAKISTAN OCCUPIED KASHMIR  
Choudhary Shri Bhudeo

**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) the steps taken by the Government to reclaim Pakistan Occupied Kashmir alongwith the date-wise details of the dialogues held in this regard the last three years and the current year; and

(b) the outcome of the said dialogues/talks?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): India seeks a peaceful, negotiated settlement of all issues with Pakistan, including the issue of Jammu and Kashmir. The issue of Jammu and Kashmir was discussed with Pakistan within the framework of the Composite Dialogue. The Foreign Secretaries of both countries completed five rounds of talks on Peace and Security including Confidence Building Measures and Jammu and Kashmir. The first round of talks was held in June 2004 and the fifth round of talks in July 2008. Our consistent position in these talks has been that the entire state of Jammu and Kashmir is an integral part of India.

Pursuant to the talks, India and Pakistan have allowed travel and trade across the Line of Control (LOC) to enhance interaction and cooperation among people of the state of Jammu and Kashmir living on both sides of the LOC.