GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:322 ANSWERED ON:10.11.2010 CHINA PAK NUCLEAR DEAL Muttemwar Shri Vilas Baburao

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that China is transferring ring magnet to Pakistan for making nuclear weapons;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has held any talks with China in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of China thereto?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) Government is aware of China-Pakistan nuclear cooperation. India's concerns in this regard have been clearly conveyed to the Chinese side. The Chinese government has stated that its cooperation with Pakistan in nuclear energy is for peaceful purposes. Government keeps a constant watch on all developments having a bearing on India's national interest and takes all necessary measures to safeguard it.